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SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

STEAM TO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, PLYMOUTH, LONDON, BRINDISI, VENICE, TRIESTE, AND MARSEILLES.

PROGRAMME OF DEPARTURES.

Vessels.	Tons	H. P.	Captains.	FRIDAY 1886.
M AUSTRALIA	3954	600	E. Ashdown	2nd April.
L PESHAWUR	3900	600	L. H. Moule	9th "
— ASSAM	3038	500	W. J. Nantes	16th "
L CLYDE	4124	850	E. M. Edmond	23rd "
M MIRZAPORE	3957	600	R. Harvey	30th "
L HYDASPES	2924	500	G. S. rivener	7th May.
— GWALIOR	2753	500	D. Harris	14th "
L THAMES	4101	800	W. A. Seaton	21st "
				TUESDAY.
M MALWA	2939	500	G. W. Atkinson	25th "
L ANCONA	3128	600	S. F. Cole	1st June.

The steamers marked L proceed direct to London via Malta; and those marked M via Marseilles. By the others, passengers for London change vessels at Suez. All London steamers call at Plymouth.

A steam-barge will leave the Apollo Bunder at 3 p.m. on the day of sailing to convey passengers on board.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, STRAITS, CHINA, JAPAN, AND AUSTRALIA.

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	1886.
PEKIN	3900	600	A. Symons	2nd April.
RAVENNA	3372	700	A. B. Daziel	16th "
VERONA	3116	600	M. de Horne	30th "
ROSETTA	3502	700	G. W. Brady	14th May.
ROHILLA	3501	700	W. Barratt	28th "

Return Tickets are now issued at greatly reduced rates to all ports, for particulars of which apply to

F. D. PARKER,
Superintendent, P. & O. S. N. Company.

Bombay, March 15, 1886.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA

SOCIETA RIUNITE FLORIO RUBATTINO.

THE Regular Mail-steamers leave BOMBAY on the 1st of each month at noon, calling at ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, GENOA, and MARSEILLES, starting from GENOA on the 9th of every month for BOMBAY.

FARE to all Ports of Italy Rs. 300, Rs. 340, Rs. 150, for First, Second, and Third Class, respectively, inclusive of Wine. Infants are allowed free. Children over three and under ten years, half fare. Families will be allowed liberal discount. To Marseilles Rs. 20, 10, and 5 extra, for First, Second, and Third Class, respectively.

Passengers' heavy Baggage will be delivered in LONDON, FREE OF CHARGE, to the extent allowed in the Handbooks.

A discount of 35, 20, and 10 per cent. is allowed Passengers returning within three, six, and twelve months, respectively, from the date of LANDING.

The following or other First Class Steamers will be Bombay :—

	Tons.	H.P.	
RAFFAELE RUBATTINO	5,000	850	1st April 1886
MANILLA	5,000	850	1st May 1886
DOMENICO BALDUINO (late China)	5,000	850	1st June 1886

Steam Launch leaves Apollo Bunder between 10 and 11 a.m. on the day of sailing, with Passengers and heavy Baggage.

Through Railway Tickets available for 17 days to London via Calais or Brighton, both from Genoa and Naples, are issued here.

For Handbooks of information and other particulars apply to

F. BOZZONI,
Agent.

Sassoon House, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, Mar. 2, 1886.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S S. N. Co.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY, BRINDISI, AND TRIESTE, VIA CANAL.

Steamers.	Captains	Tons.	H. P.	To sail 1886.
ELEKTRA	G. Ragusin	4,200	600	3rd April.
PANDORA	G. Mettel	3,500	550	16th "
PRINCE DON (New)	G. Doucich	4,600	650	3rd May.
BERENICE	G. B. Verona	3,500	500	16th "
AMPHITRITE	B. Gelcich	4,600	650	3rd June.
VORWAERTS	P. Andrianich	2,900	500	16th "

A Surgeon and Stewardess on board of every Steamer.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 500	Rs. 300	Rs. 130

RETURN TICKETS are now issued available for SIX MONTHS at the following rates :—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.
TRIESTE OR BRINDISI	Rs. 800	Rs. 480

Above rates include Wines supplied at meals.

Steamers for BOMBAY leave TRIESTE on the 5th, and BRINDISI on the 7th, of each month.

The Company's steam launch will be in attendance at the Apollo-bunder on the day of sailing to convey passengers and their luggage to the steamer, free of charge.

STEAM TO COLOMBO, PENANG, SINGAPORE AND HONGKONG.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	H.P.	To sail 1886.
AMPHITRITE	B. Gelcich	4,600	650	1st April

For further particulars, freight, passage, &c., apply to

J. JANNI,
Agent.

Sassoon House, 50, Church-gate-street, Bombay, 16th March 1886.

HALL LINE OF STEAMERS

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT MALTA.

	Capt.	Tons.	H.P.	On or about
S.S. MERTON HALL	Barnes	4,100	700	25th May.
S.S. BYDAL HALL	Buck	2,700	400	3rd June.

Passengers booked Overland to LONDON via MALTA and NAPLES.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

For further particulars apply to

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 4th March, 1886.

BOMBAY TO LONDON DIRECT.

THE Splendid steam-ship AUSTRALASIAN, 3,700 tons, Captain SIMPSON, will sail for LONDON from BOMBAY direct, about 5th April, and passages can now be secured at moderate rates.

The steamer is now in the Prince's Dock, and can be seen at any time. It is expected that the voyage Home will be made in twenty-four days, including all detentions. The steamer is also furnished with an Ice-house and cow.

The steamer is now in the Prince's Dock and can be seen at any time.

A Surgeon and stewardess carried.

Comfortable accommodation for a few intermediate passengers.

For further particulars apply to

FINLAY, MUIR & Co., Bombay.

24th March 1886.

CITY LINE OF STEAMERS.

THESE splendid first class Iron Steamships built on the Clyde expressly for the Indian Service under special survey above the highest class Lloyds will be despatched as follows :—

CITY OF CANTERBURY, for London, 27th March.
CITY OF KHIOS, for London or Liverpool, 27th April.
CITY OF CARTHAGE, Do. do. 25th May.

Surgeon and Stewardess carried. Two berth Cabins, Baths, Punkhas and every comfort for first class passengers. No others taken. Crew entirely European.

Apply to SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents.

BOMBAY TO MARSEILLES DIRECT.

THE s.s. CLAN BUCHANAN will sail from BOMBAY for MARSEILLES direct about the 3rd Proximo. This steamer has excellent accommodation for first-class passengers, and is favorably known on the Calcutta line. The Saloon and State rooms are on the upper deck. Separate music and smoking rooms.

For rates of passage, &c., apply to

FINLAY, MUIR, & Co., Agents.

FOR ANTWERP.

THE s.s. CITY OF MANCHESTER, of WHITBY, sails about the 4th April. She has accommodation for a few Saloon passengers.

For rates of passage apply to the Captain, care of

JAMES MACKINTOSH & Co., Bombay.

BOMBAY RACES.

CHRONOGRAPH WATCHES.

In Stout Sterling Silver Case	Rs. 70
Do. in 18-carat Gold	" 175

CHRONOGRAPH WATCHES.
HIGHEST CLASS OF WORKMANSHIP PROCURABLE.

In Stout Crystal-faced Case	Rs. 350
Do. in Hunting Case	" 375

FAVRE, LEUBA & CO.

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited)

Intend to despatch Steamers as follows :—

FOR KURRACHEE AND KATTYWAR COAST.

S. S. "EUPHRATES," 803 tons, on FRIDAY, 2nd April, 1886, at noon, calling at Veraval, Mangarole, Pore Bunder, and Cutch Mandvie, weather permitting.

FOR KURRACHEE AND PERSIAN GULF.

S. S. "PACHUMBA," 867 tons, on MONDAY, 29th March (on arrival of outward English Mail), calling at Kurrachee, Bunder Abbas, Lingah, Bahrein, Bushire, Fao, and Busreh, in the foregoing or any order, weather permitting.

FOR COAST AND CALCUTTA.

S. S. "AGRA," 1,907 tons, on WEDNESDAY, 31st March, at 5 p.m., calling at such ports as may be arranged. Particulars can be ascertained on application to the undersigned.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Bombay, 26th March, 1886. Agents.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CALIFORNIAN FRUITS.

Apples	per tin Rs. 0 9	White Cherries, Strawberries	per tin.
Apricots, Greengages, Raspberries, Grapes	" 1 0	Peaches, Pears, Plums	Rs. 1 2
Pine Apple	per tin Rs. 1 4		

TREACHER AND CO., Ld.,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.

FAMOUS SCOTCH PRESERVES.

KEILLER'S APPLE JAM.	KEILLER'S PLUM JAM.
KEILLER'S B. CURRANT JAM.	KEILLER'S GREENGAGE JAM.
KEILLER'S CHERRY JAM.	KEILLER'S RASPBERRY JAM.
KEILLER'S DAMSON JAM.	KEILLER'S R. CURRANT JAM.
KEILLER'S GOOSEBERRY JAM.	KEILLER'S STRAWBERRY JAM.

1 lb. tins, 7 annas cash.

Sole Agents for the Presidency,
TREACHER AND CO., Limited,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.

CHOICE INDIAN TEAS

FROM THE

KOUSANIE TEA COMPANY, Limited.

THE KOUSANIE TEAS are the choicest of all Indian Teas, they are grown in the District originally selected by the Government of India for inaugurating the growth of Tea in India, and for superiority of quality have grained TWELVE MEDALS and TEN PRIZES at Exhibitions in India, England, and Paris.

CASH PRICE LIST.

KOUSANIE MIXTURE, a well-known specialty from the Kousanie Gardens.	1 lb. pkt. per pkt. 1 6 2 lb. pkt. per pkt. 2 12 5 lb. catties per catty 6 12
SOUCHONG, Finest in 2 lb. packets	per packet 2 12
PEKOE, Finest in 2lb. packets	per packet 3 0
HYSON, Young (green)	1 lb. packet 1 10
ORANGE PEKOE, Finest	" 1 10
TREACHER'S OWN	1 lb. pkt. per packet 1 0
MIXTURE	1 in 2 lb. pkt. per packet 2 0
TREACHER'S HOUSEHOLD a small broken leaf Tea	per lb. 0 12

Special Wholesale Terms to the Trade.

Sole Agents for the Bombay Presidency,
TREACHER & CO., Limited,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA, AND POONA.

ALCOCK, ASHDOWN & Co., Ld.,

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of Rs. 7½ per share on shares of Rs. 150 paid up and Rs. 10 per share on fully paid up shares of Rs. 200, equal to 10 per cent. per annum, will be paid on and after the 5th April, 1886, to those shareholders whose names stood on the Company's register on the 16th instant.

ALCOCK, ASHDOWN & Co.,
Secretaries and Managers.

Bombay, 24th March 1886.

FOR SALE.

OAKES'S BEEHIVE CIGARS.
SACCONE'S SHERRY.
MAX GREGER'S CARLOWITZ.
CALDWELL'S AUSTRALIAN WINES.
WALKERS FINE OLD HIGHLAND WHISKY.
&c. &c. &c.
W. WATSON, & Co.

Bombay, 28, Apollo Street.

AT a COMMITTEE MEETING of the Cheltonian Society held on the 15th December, 1885; the following resolutions were proposed and carried :—

"That steps be taken to collect subscriptions for the purpose of erecting a suitable memorial to the worth of the late Rev. T. A. Southwood and of his great services to Cheltenham College."

"That if a sufficient sum can be obtained it is desirable that such memorial shall take the form of a Library attached to Cheltenham College, to be called the Southwood Library."

"For this it is estimated that a sum of £4,000 will probably be required."

The undersigned has been requested to make the above proposals known and to write and receive subscriptions from old Cheltonians in India. Arrangements have been made whereby subscriptions will be received in Calcutta by Messrs. Grindlay and Co., in Bombay by Messrs. Grindlay, Groom and Co., and in Madras by Messrs. Binny and Co.

Those who may be willing to contribute are requested to send their subscriptions to one or other of the firms above-named, and a list of the subscriptions will be published in due course.

F. BRANDT,
High Court, Madras, 20th February, 1886.

LIGHT BEER FOR HOT WEATHER.

ST. PAULI LAGER BEER.

FRESH SHIPMENT just to hand, clear and sparkling, Rs. 22 per case of 4 doz. quarts and Rs. 28 per case of 8 doz. pints.

J. NEUBERG, BOMBAY.

LIST of ESTATES to which LETTERS of ADMINISTRATION have been granted to the Administrator-General, and of Estates which have come under his charge.

PAUL FISHER, late of Bombay, European Watchmaker.
W. E. BATEMAN, late Head Clerk, Stores Department, Indus Valley State Railway.
ANDERSON, late Engine Driver, Sind Pishin State Railway.
N. PALMER, late Deputy Telegraph Master, Rindli.
R. J. O. NICKSON, late of Sibi.
WILLIAM ADAMS, late Deputy Registrar, High Court, Bombay.
J. H. McGOVERN, late Guard, Indus Valley State Railway.
HENRY LONG WILLIAM PHILLIPS, late a Captain in Her Majesty's 12th Regiment of Foot.
MUSHEEJEE GOOLAM MOHIDEEN, of Cashmere, and lately carrying on business as a Merchant at Calcutta.
THOMAS ESSON, late of the Port Engineer's Office, at Manora.
JOHN FRYER, Chapman, late Colonel Commanding Her Majesty's 7th Dragoon Guards.
FERN SIMPSON GHEE, late in the employ of Messrs. Wilkinson, Heywood, and Clark, Bombay.
DOCTOR PASCOAL MANOEL DA SILVA, late of Bhownagar.
HENRY HILL, late Locomotive Foreman, Sind Pishin State Railway.
CLARENCE BOVILL IZON, C. S., late District Judge, Ratnagiri.
CHARLES WILLIAM HINDE, late a Lieutenant in Her Majesty's 1st Regiment, Bombay Grenadiers.

All persons having claims against, being indebted to, or holding property belonging to the abovenamed estates, are hereby requested to state their claims, pay their debts, and hand over such property to the undersigned forthwith. All claims must be sent to the undersigned at his office within one month from the date of this advertisement. At the expiration of the said period the assets of the estates will be distributed, and claims received after that period will not be recognised.

L. RIVETT CARNAC,
Administrator-General.

Admtr. Genl's Office, High Court, Bombay, 15th March 1886.

TREACHERS "GLENLIVET" WHISKY.

IMPORTANT CAUTION.

WHEREAS for a period extending over many years there has been uninterruptedly sold in the Indian Market a certain blend of Scotch Whisky known to the trade and public as

TREACHER'S GLENLIVET WHISKY,

each bottle of which bears near the front shoulder a characteristic heart-shaped Label, with a Caution Label on the reverse, and Phœnix Trade Mark on both Labels, as well as on the Cork and the Metallic Capsule covering the cork, and which Whisky from its high state of purity, rich soft mellowness, and intrinsic worth, has met with such general appreciation, and so fully established itself in public favour, as to be now familiarly known as

"TREACHER'S GLENLIVET," | "TREACHER'S GLENLIVET WHISKY,"
"TREACHER'S WHISKY," | "HEART-LABELLED WHISKY."

The public are hereby warned and cautioned against accepting as

TREACHER'S GLENLIVET WHISKY

Any brand failing to correspond with the aforenoted particulars.

TREACHER'S GLENLIVET WHISKY

CASH, Rs. 22-8 per dozen.

TREACHER & COMPANY, Ld.,

WINE MERCHANTS,
BOMBAY, BYCULLA AND POONA.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INDIA

FOR SUPPLYING FEMALE MEDICAL AID TO THE WOMEN OF INDIA.

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the TOWN HALL on TUESDAY, 30th instant, at 5-30 p. m., for the purpose of forming a Branch of the above for the Bombay Presidency.

H. E. LORD REAY has kindly consented to preside.

FINE OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

THOMSON and TAYLOR'S blend of FINE OLD CAMPBELTON AND ISLAY rank amongst the finest of Whiskies imported into this country. It is a rich, mellow and soft Spirit, genuine and wholesome. A trial is solicited from all who appreciate

A REALLY GOOD SOUND WHISKY PEG.

Shipments arrive regularly direct from Scotland, so that Clubs and Messes can be promptly supplied. Price per dozen, Rs. 23; per bottle, Rs. 2, cash.

THOMSON AND TAYLOR,
35, ESPLANADE-ROAD, BOMBAY.

SHOW-ROOM.

No. 42, MEADOW-STREET,

NEXT TO OLD *BOMBAY GAZETTE* OFFICE.

L. HARTMANN & CO.,

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, AMSTERDAM,

MANUFACTURERS OF MIRRORS.

A LARGE AND VARIED ASSORTMENT
OF
HANDSOME AND ELEGANT MIRRORS
OF ALL
SIZES AND SHAPES
IN
ARTISTICALLY DESIGNED FRAMES
SUITABLE FOR
DRAWING, DINING AND DRESSING ROOMS,
HOTELS AND CLUBS,
PALACES OF NATIVE RAJAS AND CHIEFS
AND
RESIDENCES OF THE NOBILITY AND GENTRY
OF INDIA.

Rare opportunity for making good bargains as this is the Manufacturers' own Agency.

We are prepared to take orders at our own risk of breakage.

CHAMPAGNE.

WE keep in our Godowns shipments from the undermentioned Houses :—

	Net Cash.
*POMMERY and GREN—	
Extra Sec	per case Rs. 6 0
*WACHTER & Co.—	
"Royal Charter," Extra Dry	" " 58 4
PERINET and FILS—	
Cuvée Réservée, Extra Sec	" " 56 8
HEIDSIECK & Co.—	
Dry Monopole	" " 60 0
*"RESERVEE CUVEE"—	
Extra Dry, our own shipping	" " 53 8
MOET and CHANDON—	
Brut Impérial, very dry	" " 54 0
Extra Superior	" " 52 0
White dry Sparkling Sillery	" " 48 0
FINEST EXTRA DRY—	
For Invalids, per hamper of 24 half-pints	" " 34 8
*JEAN SIBADEY—	
Carte Blanche	" " 34 8
*SAUMUR—	
Finest Sparkling, our own shipping	" " 26 12

Brands marked thus (*) in cases of 2 doz. pints at Rs. 3 per case extra.

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.,

BOMBAY,

BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY.

MARCKS & COMPANY, Ld.,

WATCH MANUFACTURERS, &c.,

BOMBAY AND POONA.

A GOOD WATCH is one of the most remarkable productions of human skill and patience.

WATCH MANUFACTURING being the original branch of our business, in which we have had considerable experience, enables us to render our assistance in aiding our constituents, skilfully to elect the description of a Time-keeper, best adapted to their respective requirements.

Watches are manufactured, and we could sell them in Bombay for 7 or 8 Rupees each, but we prefer to confine ourselves to a thoroughly reliable and honest article, worth the money one spends.

It is always our rule to recommend a purchaser to give the best price he can afford for a watch, he needs a durable and reliable time-keeper. Mofussil purchasers, on informing us the amount they desire to invest, may rest assured that their orders will receive the same care and attention as if they were themselves present.

From the immense variety of our Watches always kept in stock, we particularly recommend following :—

MARCKS & CO.'S Silver hunting plate lever Watch, with compensation balance wheel	Rs. 44
The same Watch in Crystal faced case	" 50
MARCKS & CO.'S Celebrated Campaign Watch of the highest Class	" 35
Do. do. do. Second quality	" 25
Gentlemen's Gold hunting Keyless Watch with Compensation balance wheel	" 250
Do. do. do. Second quality	" 160
Ladies' Gold hunting Watch of high finish	" 120
Do. do. in Crystal faced Case	" 95

Illustrated Catalogue shewing prices of Cheaper Watches free on application.

WATCH REPAIR DEPARTMENT.—Is under the immediate supervision of our Mr. Marcks and our staff includes several old and experienced workmen, enabling us to guarantee the most carefull treatment and skilful repair of Clock Watches, Minute and other Repeaters, Chronographs, Calendar Watches, Bird Boxes, etc., etc. Ships' Chronometers carefully adjusted and repaired.

MARCKS & CO., LIMITED,

BOMBAY, OPPOSITE THE CLOCK TOWER.

SORABJEE AND JAMSETJEE KHAN,

JEWELLERS, GOLDSMITHS, ENGRAVERS, ETC.,

No. 6 ELPHINSTONE CIRCLE.

LADIES' Hoop Rings set with precious stones.
Single-diamond and Gipsy Rings.
Engagement, Keeper and Wedding Rings.
Diamond and Pearl Ear Studs.
Necklets and Crosses (plain and jewelled.)
Gold Albert Chains and Guards.
Charms for the watch-chain.
Gold Lockets, plain and jewelled.
Gold Lockets and Charms for the watch-chain.
Bracelets (plain and jewelled).
GENTLEMEN'S Diamond Gipsy Rings.
Single-diamond, Signet, and Band Rings.
Scarf Rings and Breast Pins (plain and jewelled).
Gold Albert Chains.

Any Pattern of Chain or Necklet made to order in the best style.

INVALIDS' SHERRY.

THE great popularity that has attended the introduction into India of our INVALIDS' PORT has led us to confer with Medical authorities in the selection of a suitable Spanish Wine possessing tonic properties beneficial to Invalids. We have selected a remarkably good Wine which we designate "IMPERIAL SHERRY," because of the exalted favour it receives. We confidently recommend it to dyspeptics, feeling sure that when they taste the Wine they will not be disappointed. We have specially labelled and otherwise protected this Sherry. We ship it in plain white square bottles.

The price is Rs. 36 per case of 1 Dozen, subject to discount for Cash.

CUTLER, PALMER & CO.,

BOMBAY.

BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY.

KANGRA VALLEY TEAS.

THE "HOLTA" TEA COMPANY'S PRIZE TEAS.

HOLTA BROKEN LEAF—cheap family tea, nice flavour	per lb. Rs. 0 10	PEKOE—fragrant, strong cup, rich liquor, of good value at the price	per lb. Rs. 1 5
PLANTATION MIXTURE—yields a fair strong liquor with good flavour, a very popular tea	" 0 14	ORANGE PEKOE, very fragrant, bright infusion, full rich cup	" 1 13
FAMILY MIXTURE—brisk flavour, good strength and pungency, can be strongly recommended for family use	" 1 3	FLOWERY ORANGE PEKOE—a high class tea of choice fragrance and clear infusion	" 2 8
HOLTA MIXTURE—fragrant, pungent, and full cup	" 1 8	GOLDEN ORANGE PEKOE—(The flower of Indian Teas) of exquisite aroma, amber-coloured infusion, choice cup	" 3 8
PEKOE SOUCHONG—a full flavoured tea, bright infusion	" 1 4		

SOLE AGENTS :

PHILLIPS & CO., LD.,

BOMBAY AND POONA.

NEW HAIR-DRESSING SALOON.

MESSRS. THOMAS & COMPANY, beg to inform the Public, that they have opened a FIRST-CLASS HAIR-DRESSING SALOON for LADIES and GENTLEMEN. The best European Hair-Dressers are in attendance.

A large and choice Assortment of Theatrical Wigs, Beards, &c., always kept in Stock or made to order.

Depôt of best London and Parisian Perfumery, Hair-Washes, &c., &c.

THOMAS & COMPANY,
UNDER TAYLOR'S HOTEL, NEAR ORIENTAL BANK, BOMBAY.

CLARETS.

BARTON & Co., Limited, beg to invite attention to our SELECTION of CLARETS.

The assortment consists of great diversity of character, and is deservedly popular both with connoseurs and general consumers.

Per doz. Bottles. Rs. a.		Per doz. Pints. Rs. a.
9 0	PETIT MEDOC (Good useful Household Wine)	5 0
9 8	MEDOC SUPERIOR (Soft Excellent Wine)	5 0
10 0	ST. JULIEN (Light Breakfast Wine)	6 0
12 0	ST. ESTEPHE, ST. EMILLION (Strongly recommended)	7 0
12 8		7 0
13 0	CHATEAU de FRANCE (Favourite Breakfast Wine)	7 0
15 0	MARGAUT, HAUT CANON (Highly recommended)	8 0
16 0		9 0
17 0	MOUTON ROTHSCHILD (Soft and fully Matured)	9 0
20 0	CHATEAU LEOVILLE (Magnificent Dinner Wine)	11 0
23 0	CHATEAU LAFITTE	13 0
26 0	CHATEAU LA ROSE (Light and Soft with Beautiful Aroma, After Dinner Wine)	14 0
28 0	CHATEAU MARGAUX	16 0

TRIAL ORDER SOLICITED.

BARTON & COMPANY, Ld.,

WINE, PROVISION, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS,
BOMBAY AND POONA.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.

Lessee.....MR. FRAMJEE C. MEHTA.

GEO. NORVILLE'S GAIETY COMPANY.

Sole Proprietress & Directress..MRS. GEO. NORVILLE.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27.

MOST POSITIVELY THE LAST TIME IN BOMBAY,

THE MIKADO,

FOR THE

BENEFIT OF

MISS EMMA MARKHAM.

&c. UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF THE

COMMODORE & MEMBERS

OF THE ROYAL YACHT CLUB.

MIKADO.

MIKADO.

LAST TIME.

LAST TIME.

BENEFIT OF "YUM-YUM."

SATURDAY, MARCH 27TH.

PRICES AS USUAL.

Plan at SOUNDY & Co., LD.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31ST,

FOR THE BENEFIT OF

MRS. NORVILLE,

When will be produced for the first time in Bombay,

GILBERT AND SULLIVAN'S OPERA

PRINCESS IDA,

OR

CASTLE ADAMANT.

A MEETING OF THE PAST AND PRESENT UNDERGRADUATES OF THE BOMBAY UNIVERSITY.

A MEETING of the Past and Present Undergraduates of the Bombay University will be held THIS DAY, at 2-30 p.m., at the old Elphinstone Institution Building, for the purpose of establishing the Bombay Undergraduates' Association. All Undergraduates interested in the cause are requested to attend.

HARDEVRAM NANABHAI.
M. H. NAZAR,
Hon. Secretaries *pro tem.*

KURRACHEE LIGHTERAGE COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in accordance with a Resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company held on the 17th March, 1886, a Dividend at the rate of Rs. 30 per Share will be paid to the Shareholders standing on the Company's Register on that date at the Office of the undersigned on and after the 29th inst., on presentation of Share Certificates.

Shareholders resident in Bombay will receive their Dividend on presentation of Share Certificates at the Office of Messrs. Sundarrow Raghunath and Co., 34 Elphinstone Circle.

A. MC HINCH & Co.,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

McLeod Road,
Kurrachee, 23rd March, 1886.

THE SASSOON AND ALLIANCE SILK MILL COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE.

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1. To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Balance-sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1885.
2. To elect two Directors, in the place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the year ending 31st December, 1886, and to fix their remuneration.

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CALENDAR—MARCH & APRIL, 1886.

PHASE OF THE MOON.

Last Quarter.....March 27th, 3h. 35·5m. p.m.

Days.	Engagements, &c.	Sun Rises.	Sun Sets.	High Water.		Low Water.	
				H.	M.	H.	M.
Sat. 27	Formation Undergraduates Association, Old Elphinstone High School, 2-30 p.m. M. M. Mody and Co. Meeting, 3 p.m. Sale of Racers opposite Byculla Club, 4 p.m. Annual Inspection, Bombay Volunteers, 4-30 p.m. Prize Distribution, Bombay Gymnastic Institution, 5 p.m. Gaiety Theatre: The Mikado.	6	0 6	11 3	45m	10	21m
				5	14 a.		
Sun. 28	3rd Sunday in ent. Prize Distribution, Bomb. Israel School, 4 p.m. Prize Distribution, Jairajbhoy Peerbhoy Girl's School, 4 p.m.	5	59 6 11	4	48m	0	2m
				6	5l a.	11	51 a.
Mon. 29	Back Bay Bath Co. Meeting, 5-30 p.m. English mail expected per s.s. Pekin.*	5	58 6 11	6	35m	1	45m
				5	15 a.	1	15 a.
Tu. 30	Public Meeting: for supplying Medical Aid to Women of India, Town Hall, 5-30 p.m.	5	57 6 12	6	17m	2	45m
				4	4 a.	2	18 a.
Wed. 31	Town Council, 3 p.m. Opening Ceremony of the Tower of Silence at Cullian. Gaiety Theatre: Princess Ida.	5	57 6 12	9	10m	3	24m
				9	27 a.	3	9 a.
April.							
Thr. 1	Sale of Bhownagar Mill's Property, 3 p.m. Bombay Military Relief Fund Committee, Town Hall, 5-30 p.m.	5	56 6 12	9	47m	3	50m
				10	5 a.	3	38 a.
Fri. 2	Departure of Lord Reay for Mahabaleshwar, 2 p.m. Bombay Saw Mills, Meeting, 4 p.m. Departure of English mail per s.s. Australia, 5 p.m.	5	55 6 13	10	22m	4	14m
				10	34 a.	4	11a

* Left Aden at 1 a.m., on Wednesday, 24th inst.

DIVINE SERVICES.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT, MARCH 28.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.—Choral. Hymns 315, 112 & 107.
4-45 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Bombay. Hymns 233 and 235.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis—Parisian.
Anthem.—"My God look upon me."—Reynolds.

Wednesday, March 31.

6-30 p.m.—Exposition of Events of Holy Week.

Thursday, March 25.

7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

Friday, April 2.

6-30 p.m.—Mission Service.

Daily.—Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 4-45 p.m.
Offertories are for the Poor Fund.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion.
5-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLABA.

7 a.m.—Matins and Sermon. Hymns 195, 243 and 270.
7-45 a.m.—Holy Communion.
5 p.m.—Children's service. Hymns 231 and 241.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon. Hymns 277, 173 and 176.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SONAPORE.

7-30 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion with Sermon. Hymns 95, 261 and 320.
5 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 92, 254 and 263.
The offertories for Church expenses and poor relief.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Celebration of Holy Communion. Hymns 92 and 178.
11 a.m.—Morning Service, Litany and Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon. Hymns 93, 254, and 324.

FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND ESPLANADE.

(Pastor—The Rev. John Forgan.)

11 a.m.—Morning Service.
6 p.m.—Evening Service.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, KAMATIPURA.

7-30 a.m.—Holy Communion, Morning Prayer and Sermon. (Hindustani)
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Service and Sermon. Hymns 247, 249 and 84.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and de mon. Hymns 321 & 316.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 301, 142 and 106.

Wednesday, March 31.

6 p.m.—Short Service and address.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6-30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7-30 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral) and Sermon.
10 a.m.—Matins.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Alms for Choir expenses.

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9-30 a.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m. and 6 p.m.—Sunday Services and Preaching.
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WESLEYAN METHODIST MISSION HALL, PAREL ROAD, (NEAR THE RAILWAY BRIDGE, BYCULLA).

9 a.m.—Class Meeting.
7 p.m.—Evening Service. Conducted by the Rev. A. Pestonjee Manasseh.
The public are invited.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PAREL.

8 a.m.—Litany, Sermon and Holy Communion.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.

9 a.m.—Mechanic Institution, B. B. & C. I. Ry., Parel.
6 p.m.—St. Andrew's Church, Fort.
Hymns 15, and 247, 2nd tune. Anthem—"Cast thy burden, &c." p. 97, old book, and Hymn 237.

ST. NICHOLAS'S (SEAMEN'S) CHURCH, PRINCE'S DOCK.

11 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion.
7 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Services will be held on board the Steam-ship Australasian in the Prince's Dock on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. Captains, officers, seamen, and others are cordially invited. The Bethel flag will be hoisted.

HARBOUR SERVICE.

Services will be held in the Harbour on board the Steam-ship Inchgarvie, at 11 o'clock in the morning. Captains, officers, seamen, and others are cordially invited to attend. The Bethel flag will be hoisted. For friends purposing to attend the Service a launch will leave Arthur Buddoe at 10-35 and Apollo Bunder at 10-35 a.m., precisely. All are cordially invited.

LIST OF RESIDENTS.

LANOWLIE HOTEL, LANOWLIE.

Rev Mosrol G I P Railway — Mr A Hide, Poona
Mr and Mrs N A Pearson — Mr A W Whatson, Poona
Mr E Freshfield — Mr Gamplem

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BOMBAY

TO-DAY.

Annual Inspection, Bombay Volunteers, 4-30 p.m.
Prize Distribution, Bombay Gymnastic Institution, 5 p.m.
Extraordinary General Meeting, Students' Literary and Band, G. I. P. Volunteers, Victoria Garde-s, 5-45 p.m.
Scientific Society, Framjee Cowasjee Institute, 5-30 p.m. pen to the public.
Gaiety Theatre, Mikado, 9 p.m.
Circus, Esplanade, 9 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 25th:—Shahzada (s), from Calcutta; and Amphitrite (s), Trieste. Yesterday:—Satara (s), for Bussrah.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday—Burmah (s), for Kurrachee; Surat (s), London, &c.; Mecca (s), Zanzibar; and Peshwa (s), Calcutta.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s. s. City of Canterbury left the dock yesterday.

PAPER CHASE.—The Paper Chase advertised for the 28th inst. will not take place.

SAINT THOMAS'S CATHEDRAL.—The Bishop of Bombay will preach in the Cathedral to-merrow evening.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.—The increase in goods traffic for the week ending 6th inst. was 42,096 maunds, and in money Rs. 25,341.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.—The Small Cause Court will be closed for the Easter holidays from the 21st to the 27th proximo, both days inclusive.

REGISTRAR, SMALL CAUSE COURT.—Mr. E. Vanderstraten, Registrar of the Small Cause Court, has applied for privilege leave for a period of three months commencing from the 1st proximo.

OFFICE OF SUB-REGISTRAR.—The office of the Sub-Registrar of Mazgdvie, now located at the Small Cause Court premises will be removed to the Head Office at the High Court from the 1st proximo.

TRESPASS.—Rungin Monajee, a Hindu, was yesterday convicted by Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee of trespassing upon the B.B.&C. Railway Company's premises at the Dadur junction on Thursday. The accused on admitting the charge was fined Rs. 5.

CLAWED BY A TIGER.—A child named Gunga, the daughter of one Radhee, woman, 15 months old, was on Thursday evening clawed by a tiger at the Victoria Gardens. The mother it appears allowed the child to get too near the cage of the tiger. The child was removed to the J. J. Hospital for treatment.

ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.—The P. and O. Co.'s s. Surat Capt. R. G. Murray, sailed yesterday for London with the European mails and the following additional passengers:—

For London.—Mr. Chas. Du Val, Mr. H. Sham, and Mr. F. Pollard.
For Brindisi.—Mr. J. Oates.

MUSIC AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS.—The following programme of music will be played by the band of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers at the Victoria Garden at 5-45 p.m.:—

March.....Brighter Days.....R. Smith.
Overture ...Giovanna D'arco .....Verdi.
Valse .....Sweet Sixteen.....R. Aronson.
Polka .....Gaiety Girls.....Coote.
Selection ..Guiramento (from Genaro Annese).Sanelli.
Valse .....Claribel .....Coote.
Galop .....Biarritz .....Wagner.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

ASSAULTING A POLICE RAMOOSEE.—Imaum Ameer and five other mill labourers of the Morarjee Goculdass Spinning and Weaving Mill at Pareil, were yesterday charged before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee with assaulting Sew Button, a police ramoosee doing duty at the mill, on the evening of the 24th instant. No. 1, who took an active part in the assault, was convicted and fined Rs. 5, and the others were warned and discharged.

THEFT.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, Inspector Saunders charged Gangaram Gowrie, before Mr. Ryan, with the theft of Rs. 232. The accused broke open a box, abstracted the money, and left for Ratnagherry. A warrant was obtained against him, and he was subsequently arrested in a jungle several miles from Ratnagherry. Pleading guilty to the charge, accused was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

FATAL MILL ACCIDENT.—A coroner's inquest was held yesterday at Delisle Road, on the body of Sakaram Rama, aged 23 years, a labourer employed at the Greaves, Cotton Mills. On the 10th instant, the fingers of his left hand were injured by being accidently caught between the rollers of a lapping machine. He was taken to the J. J. Hospital, where the wounds were dressed and he returned home. On Wednesday last tetanus supervened, and he died from its effects. Verdict accordingly.

CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Ryan, Ambalal Hurribal and Mehabal Raghonath were charged with criminal breach of trust in respect of Rs. 2,000 in cash and 25 guineas. Mr. Jardine, instructed by the firm of Messrs. Payne, Gilbert, and Sayani, appeared for the defence, and Mr. Lecaf for the prosecution. The facts of this case have already been reported. His Worship committed the case to the Sessions.

THE CIRCUS.—To-night the opening performance will be given by Messrs. Abell, Kiser and Olman's Circus. The combination is almost entirely new to Bombay, though one or two popular favourites will reappear, such as Archie O'Brien and Mrs. O'Brien, who most accomplished equestrian performers. A highly-trained troupe of monkeys and dogs will take a leading part in the programme, and a band of twelve Japanese will exhibit many wonderful feats of skill. The company is so large and so great that they will be enabled to give many highly varied and diverting performances.

COUNTERFEITING THE QUEEN'S COIN.—Dawood bhoy Mahomed Ally, a grocer by trade, living at Madunpoora, near the Race-course grounds at Byculla, was yesterday brought upon remand and charged before Mr. Dosabhoy Framjee with having in his possession, on the 25th ultimo, instruments and materials for the purpose of using the same in counterfeiting the Queen's coin. Mr. Little, the public prosecutor appeared to conduct the case for the prosecution. The circumstances of the case are briefly as follows. On the date in question, upon information received by Inspector Cobb, he with Inspector Hack proceeded to the house of the accused, forced the door open, and arrested the accused while in the act of melting some metal in a crucible. They then called three persons and searched the room in their presence, and found a number of articles likely to be used for the purpose of manufacturing spurious coins. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge, and was sentenced to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

RASH DRIVING.

At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Cooper, Rama Krishna, a coachman in the employ of Mr. Kirby, was charged by Superintendent Brewin with having driven his master's conveyance in a rash and negligent manner along the Carnac Road on the 8th instant Mr. Craigie appeared for the accused.

Mr. Brewin stated that on Monday evening, the 8th inst., at 6·30 p.m., he was standing at the corner of the Crawford Market and Carnac Road in company with Inspector Jones, when he noticed the accused driving at a trot from the direction of the bridge. He was about thirty or thirty-five yards distant when a female emerged from Abdool Rahman Street. Seeing the car across his path the accused urged the horse and quickened its pace. The accused drove past very close to witnes and Inspector Jones, when the former called out to the driver. He repeated his request to drive slower three times, but he took no heed. When the carriage had gone another 80 yards, witness saw a jemadar pull a Goanese out of the way. He ran up calling out to the gentleman inside to halt. He had to follow for a distance of over 100 yards before the coachman pulled up, which was just in front of the Cash Bazaar. There was a large crowd in the street at the time. The rate at which the horse was going was about eleven or twelve miles an hour.

Cross-examined by Mr. Craigie, witness said he thought he could run a mile in five minutes. He was not at all annoyed at having had to jump aside when the carriage passed him. Witness was not in uniform though on duty; Mr. Jones was on duty, and in uniform There was nothing in witness's appearance to indicate to the gentleman in the carriage that he was a policeman.

Inspector Jones said he was standing with Mr. Brewin near the three lamps near the Crawford Market, and observed the carriage coming from the direction of Carnac Bridge; they stepped aside, and Mr. Brewin called out to accused to drive slower, but he did not appear to slacken the pace when Mr. Brewin called out to go slower, and the latter stopped the gharry because his order was not complied with. The carriage passed witness about a yard in front. The carriage was stopped about two hundred yards. Mr. Brewin ran 200 yards, while the carriage covered a distance of 150 yards Mr. Brewin runs very fast, and is about 32 years of age. Witness did not hear accused call out to the Goanese to get out of the way. He could not say he did not. The pace the horse went was too fast for the Queen's Road.

The jemedar was called next, and in cross-examination said the accused did not call out to the Goanese to move out the way. The latter was walking in the middle of the road; there is no footpath there, though the road is very broad. There was plenty of room at the side for foot passengers. It was going at the usual trot.

Ajabonoo, the Goanese, said he was a bandsman in the Bombay Volantier Corps. He was going to the old Sailors' Home on the evening of the 8th, and was walking in the middle of the road. He heard several voices calling out to him to move out of the way. He stepped one side, when a jemadar pulled him.

In cross-examination he could not say why he had not walked on one side instead of the middle of the road.

In addressing the court, Mr. Craigie pointed out a good deal of discrepancies in the testimony of the witnesses for the prosecution. The Goanese was walking, as many people in Bombay do, in the centre of the road in a dreamy state, and if he had been run over it would not have been rashness on the part of the coachman, but would have been due to the negligence and carelessness of the man, who should have been on the side of the road. He remarked that the prosecution should have come with their evidence prepared, and their witnesses dit not give the careful evidence of careful witnesses. Mr. Craigie thought the case for the prosecution was instituted to give annoyance rather than for the purpose of protecting the public.

Mr. E. Kirby, senior partner in the firm of Kirby and Co., said he remembered driving between the Crawford Market and Dhobie Talao on the 8th inst. He was in a victoria. Witness had come from the Dock and was driving to Malabar Hill. He saw Messrs. Jones and Brewin, just after he had crossed the rails. He did not hear either of them say any thing as he passed. The carriage was going at an ordinary pace, about six miles an hour; he could have got out without any difficulty. They police officers had to get out of the way; they were on the right side in the middle of the road. When witness saw the Goanese he was crossing the road as if somebody had called him. Witness and his son called out to him. There were very few people there, and he road, witness thought, was about 200 feet wide.

After the man was pulled away, Mr. Brewin ran after the carriage, called out to the driver to top, and he did so. Witness then asked him what right he had to stop his carriage. He said he was a policeman. Witness then asked Mr. Brewin why e was not in uniform, and that he would report im to his superiors. He was most impertinent, nd said, "we shall settle all that before the magistrate."

In cross-examination, witness said he did not think the coachman urged the horse on before the tram could pass. It must have gone on at a slightly quicker pace. The road was not at all crowded.

A syce was next called, but he did not appear to have noticed any thing.

Mr. Cooper, in deciding the case, said he could see no reason to think that Mr. Brewin had not given his evidence in an honest manner, and had no reason to think that he gave his evidence in the way suggested by Mr. Craigie. He was of opinion that the road at the time was crowded with passengers, and it was not safe to drive at the brisk pace proved to him by the witnesses as quicker than an ordinary trot. His Worship did not doubt that the accused quickened the pace of his horse to pass the car which was coming out of Abdool Rahmon Street. He fined him Rs. 10.

THE NEW GREAT EASTERN SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY.

THE twelfth ordinary general meeting of shareholders was held on Thursday at the company's Mill, Chinchpoogly, Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee Jeejeebhoy, chairman of the board of directors, presiding. The following report of the directors was submitted:—

The directors regret to say that owing to the depressed condition of the trade generally and to the unavoidable stoppage, twice, of the mill for some weeks during the second half-year, the net earnings for the year amount to Rs. 3,981-6-8 only. The amount at the credit of Profit and Loss Account for the year, inclusive of the balance of the previous year, was Rs. 18,266-6-2. Your directors recommend that it be carried forward. The consumption of cotton during the year was lbs. 32,56,899, costing on an average Rs. 117-15-3 per candy. The total production of yarn and cloth was lbs. 24,05,047 and lbs. 23,43,356½ respectively. The average price per lb. realised was As. 5-4½ for the former and As. 6-9½ for the latter. The consumption of coal was 3000 tons at an average cost of Rs. 17-8-11 per ton. The mill worked 3,508 hours during the year. You are not unaware of the worn-out condition of the spinning machinery at the mill. The mules and throstles have been worked for 22 years and their incapability to give satisfactory results was long since pronounced. In August last your directors resolved after much consideration to renew the whole of the spinning machinery. They have ordered 16,584 mule spindles from Messrs. Platt Brothers and Co. and 13,552 ring throstles from Messrs. Howard and Bullough; while all the necessary gearing and shafting have been obtained from Messrs. Hick, Hargreaves and Co. Lastly, your directors have very lately contracted for some steam engines for which is considered absolutely necessary to cope with the production which the new mules and ring frames are expected to give. This will cost about Rs. 40,000 on the charges on account of case hardened rollers for the existing card engines. It is expected that the whole machinery will be fitted up and placed in full working order piecemeal before the close of the current year. The aggregate outlay, including the above and the necessary erecting charges, is estimated at Rs. 2,25,000 or thereabouts, besides Rs. 15,000 for the construction of the two bays that are now considered absolutely necessary to accommodate the increased machinery. Again, 24 new looms of different dimensions to suit present requirements have been ordered at a cost of £325. Your directors have resolved to debit the entire cost of the buildings and machinery to a new account called "Renewal account," and to wipe it off annually from the annual profits whenever practicable, adding nothing meanwhile to the Reserve Fund. Considering that the new machinery will place the mill on a satisfactory footing in point of producing yarn and cloth which already possess machinery of the newest make and the latest improvements, it may be reasonably hoped that a few prosperous years will enable the Company to realise larger profits than have been possible for some time past, and enable it to wipe off the whole of the present outlay in the manner suggested. As to the matter of the agency commission referred to in last year's report, your directors presume you are already aware of the Appellate Court having in August last reversed the judgment of the lower Court. Under the circumstances matters are now in the same position that they were before the filing of the suit.

The audited statements of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1885, and the directors' report, were approved and adopted. Messrs. Ardaseer Dossabhoy Moonshee and Hiralal Tribhowundass were re-elected directors of the company. Messrs. Bapubhai Kalidas and Govind Gungadhur were appointed auditors of the company for the current year, and their remuneration was fixed at Rs. 200 each. The best thanks of the meeting were given to the chairman and directors, and the secretary and the agents for their management of the company during the last year. The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the chairman.

BOMBAY INSTITUTION FOR DEAF-MUTES.

THE joint trustees have pleasure in acknowledging the following further contributions in aid of the above Institution:—

		Rs.
Balance	...	905
I. O. U.	...	5
Messrs. Ralli Brothers	...	250
D. Pestonjee Marker	...	25
Pickering Clarke	...	100
V. and N. Madhowdas.	...	100
S. D. Sassoon	...	250
J. E. Sassoon	...	100
John O'Connell	...	10
A Zoroastrian	...	10
Framjee Hormusjee Mehta	...	110
Hormusjee Eduljee Cama's Charity Fund	...	100
Messrs. W. and A. Graham and Co.	...	150
Theodore Knaust	...	10
Dady Hurmusjee Dady	...	10
Messrs. Framjee Sands and Co.	...	300
Sorabjee Framjee	...	100
H. A. B.	...	10
M. D. Divacha Bhakaodas	...	1
J. N. Tata	...	500
B. and A. Hormarjee	...	500
J. Cowasjee Jehangir	...	100
Mooljee Jewraj	...	100
Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy	...	100
Nanoy Kyraz and Co.	...	40
Miss Dillon Sanderson	...	20
The Hon'ble J. B. Peile	...	100
The Hon'ble Justice Scott	...	50
F. C. Remington	...	20
J. D. Ghandy	...	10
R. Scott	...	10
P Vuccino	...	10
Haroon Cassum and Co.	...	10
Nusserwanjee Manockjee Petit.	...	250
Total.....	Rs.	3,023

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A *DEBUTANTE* AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING-ROOM.

THE day of the Drawing room has dawned with cheerful sunshine, and noon finds me struggling bravely through the mysteries of dressing. My gown, which extends its vast length upon the bed, looks like a snowdrift of white tulle, lighted with fitful gleams of satin. A scatter of appie blossom gives a welcome touch of warmth. My two cards, newly arrived from the Lord Chamberlain's Office, lie upon the table. They entitle me to present myself in the Royal presence. Although the Queen has announced her reception for three o'clock Aunt Julia is coming for me at half-past one precisely, for one such occasions it is usual to be uncomfortable early.

Away we go. All along the street heads are at the windows to see us mount. Our servants' faces are beaming with a sense of reflected glory as we whirl away like Cinderella and her fairy godmother. As we enter the Mall we stop. From here to the Palace door stretch lines of carriages. We compose ourselves to wait and be inspected by a crowd of sightseers, who all but flatten their noses on our carriage windows. As by slow degrees we move forward, things look more lively. Strains of music and bright uniforms and State carriages fill the scene. At last we dash through the Palace gates, under an arch into a gravelled court, and then beneath a porch where crimson cloth is laid down and Beefeaters stand on guard, we descend, find ourselves in a great gilcony hall with pillared arches, and folding our trains over our arms we sail up a flight of stately stairs into a gallery where a bowing official all in gold embroidery is ready to receive one of my presentation cards—without which entrance here is impossible. The second card is for the Queen, and I carry it forward in my hand. Out of the gallery we pass on through the deserted ball-room, its crimson and gold forlorn enough in the daylight, into saloons adorned with rare and costly china, formal in the style peculiar to palaces. At length we join a bevy of ladies in a room of crimson satin, whose long windows overlook the gardens of the Queen. A huge fire burns in the massive grate, near which we stand wondering in a paradise of dressmaking.

But it is three o'clock. Aunt Julia says the Queen is now receiving the Diplomatic Body and Ministers' wives who have a separate *entree* to the Palace. Between Her Majesty and ourselves there is a suite of fine apartments all filled with ladies waiting their turn to be received. When those in the room nearest the Queen have passed we behind make a simultaneous move one room nearer the Royal presence. At the end of an hour there is a general move. We enter and press forward. The doors are opened and we pass into a blue-and-gold saloon. I wonder why there is so much talk of the rude pushing and torn clothes which ladies indict on one another at this passage. These are the words of people who know nothing of what made to speak. It is likely that high-bred Englishwomen array themselves in the freshest tulles and costliest laces to risk disaster in an unladylike scramble? As we wait we grow critical. There are places where youth and freshness do not bear away the palm, and in this respect Buckingham Palace is pre-eminent. To shine at Court a diamond tiara and an air of distinction are essential. The richly toned satins, the high-bred bearing of the women of the atmosphere of Courts, throw *debutantes* into the shade. The presentation dresses with their dead white of prickly tulle are a little forbidding. The girls are often awkward in their voluminous robes, and their chins poking and their feathers and feathers arranged without art. I look in vain for the skinny, shivering dowagers who figure annually among the stock ideas of the newspapers. I was proud of the smooth, creamy skin and fair round arms of English matrons. Even the old ladies are comely with long gloves hiding their arms, and necks so covered with jewels and lace veils that hardly an inch of skin is visible.

Again, another move, and by slow stages we reach the throne-room as the clock strikes four. Weariness gives place to excitement. The *debutantes* look pale, and my heart begins to beat faster. Only one more room. Across the space I see ladies passing out one by one, and the usher of the page's wand spreading out their trains. Aunt Julia is calm.

"Remember to go close up to the Queen," she whispers, "that she may not be troubled to bend towards you." Only a few ladies are in front of me. Now we stand at the entrance, and as each one sinks into the long curtsey of state I reject without hesitation whatever was inconsistent with this fatal act. The use of such ceremonial institutions as far as could honestly be done for the advantage of truth and justice; to see that liberty should not transgress the bounds fixed by nature and the law of God; to endeavour to bring back all civil society to that likeness and form of Christianity which he (the Pope) had described. It was hardly possible to lay down any one fixed method whereby these objects were to be attained; because the method must suit separate places and times, which differed greatly from one another. Nevertheless, before all things unity of purpose must be preserved, and similarly must be sought for in the plans and the other over human things. Each was supreme in its kind. Whatever in human things was in any way sacred, was subject to the power and judgment of the Church; but all other things, contained in the civil and political order, were rightly subject to civil authority. Such was the Christian organisation of civil society. There was once a time when States were governed by the philosophy of the Gospel; when the religion instituted by Jesus Christ, established firmly in becoming dignity, flourished everywhere, by the favour of rulers and the due protection of magistrates; when Church and State were happily united in concord and friendly interchange of offices. But that fatal and deplorable passion for innovation which was aroused in the sixteenth century first threw the Christian religion into confusion and then by natural sequence passed on to philosophy, and thence pervaded all ranks of society. From this source issued those later maxims of unbridled liberty which, in the midst of the terrible disturbances of the last century, were exceptated and proclaimed as the principles and foundation of that new jurisprudence, previously unknown, which, in many points, is out of harmony not only with the Christian law, but with the natural law also. Amongst these principles, the chief one was that which proclaimed that all men as by race and nature they were alike were also equal in their life; that each was so far master of himself as in no way to come under the authority of another; that he was free to think on every subject as he liked, and to act as he pleased; that no man had any right to rule over others. In a society founded upon these principles, government was only the will of the people, which, as it was under the power of itself alone, so was alone its own ruler. Since the people was said to contain in itself the source of all rights and of all power, it followed that the State did not deem itself bound by any kind of duty towards God, or to make any public profession of religion; that it held itself bound to give equal rights to all religions, to the end that the public order should not incur injury from any of them. All questions concerning religion were to be referred to private judgment, and every one was allowed to follow whichever religion he preferred, or none at all if he approved of none. Hence these consequences naturally arose: the judgment of each individual without subjection to law; the affairs and opinions were expressed as to the practice or neglect of Divine worship; and here was unbounded licence for men to think what they liked, and to publish what they thought. It was the custom and the wish in this condition of public affairs, that all were admired by many, either to expel the Church altogther, or to keep it under restraint and in bondage to the State. Public Acts in a great measure, were framed with this design. The freedom of thinking and of writing whatever one liked, without restraint, was not of itself an advantage at which society might rightly rejoice, but on the contrary, a source and origin of many evils. In matters, however, of mixed jurisdiction, it was in the highest degree in accordance with nature and also with the designs of God—not that one power should secede from the other, still less that they should come into conflict, but that such concord should be preserved between them as was suited to that for which each power exists. In these days it behoved all Catholics who were worthy of the name to be most loving children of the Church; to reject without hesitation whatever was inconsistent with this fatal act to use of particular institutions as far as could honestly be done for the advantage of truth and justice; to see that liberty should not transgress the bounds fixed by nature and the law of God; to endeavour to bring back all civil society to that likeness and form of Christianity which he (the Pope) had described. It was hardly possible to lay down any one fixed method whereby these objects were to be attained; because the method must suit separate places and times, which differed greatly from one another. Nevertheless, before all things unity of purpose must be preserved, and similarly must be sought for in the plans and the other over human things. Each was supreme in its kind. 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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 26.

THE Bank of England return for the week shows no change in the proportion of the Reserve to Liabilities, and money in the open market is also unchanged. With this and political matters in a state of quiescence it is only what might be expected to find the Stock Exchange quotations unaltered throughout.

In General Produce there is no change reported.

Cotton in Liverpool yesterday closed quiet with sales estimated at 8,000 bales, including 400 Surats. Spot prices come 1-16d. lower in Mid.Uplands, and Good Fair and Good Omra, and drrival prices for Americans come 1-64d. to 1-32d. per lb. lower. From New York ready Mid-Uplands are quoted 1-16 cent., Futures 13 points lower, the receipts at the ports being again heavy. The following are the comparisons to date :—

	1886.	1885.	1884.	1883.
Thursday's Receipts	7,000	6,000	7,000	14,000
Six days' do.	52,000	35,000	38,000	68,000
Total since 1st Sept.	4,721,000	4,522,000	4,553,000	5,301,000

Locally we have again had a quiet dull market. Prices are about Re. 1 per candy lower, but even at the decline business is not going through. We should quote prices to-day as follows :—

	Good.	Fully Good.	Fine.
Bengals Ready	153	159	166
Oomras, Omra Contract	167	173	198
Broach, ready	1954		
Dholleca-Bhownuggur April	175	182	193

In WHEAT there is very little doing for export. A keen competition exists for the better qualities of Soft White, which is now in very limited supply ready, but for other descriptions and forward delivery the market is dull and inactive.

LINSEED continues to tend easier, the dealers being much more willing sellers to-day.

FREIGHTS are quiet, but for a mail day there has been a fair amount of business doing. Two steamers are reported to have been fixed, one for two ports in the Mediterranean or Adriatic at 31s. 3d. payable here at 2s., and another at 21s. 3d. open charter. About 5,000 bales Cotton are said to have been booked for Havre by the sailing ship "Latimer" at 26s. 3d. to 27s. 6d., and orders have been given at 30s. April, 31s.3d. May, for Messina, Genoa or Leghorn. Measurement cargo for Liverpool, April loading, has been booked at 21s. 3d. per ton. Current market rates are :—

	Ready	Cotton.
Liverpool	..	22s. 6d.
London	..	30s. 0
Open Charter	..	22s. 6d.
Havre	..	22s. 6d.
Dunkirk	..	21s. 3d. to 22s. 6d.
Antwerp	..	21s. 3d. to 22s. 6d.
Marseilles	..	21s. 3d.
Trieste, Venice	..	20s. 9d. at 2s. ex.

EXCHANGE has been quiet in the extreme, and transactions in both Bank Bills and Private Paper have been in very small compass. We make no absolute change in rates. Possibly telegraphic could have been bought at 1s. 5 15-16d., but that has been more or less in the market open to a bid for some days past, so that it cannot be quoted as any change. Closing rates for ready bills are :—

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 5 15-16d. per Rupee.
Do Telegraphic	1s. 5 29-32d. "
Bkg. 2 months' sight	1s. 6d. to 15-16d. "
Credits, 3 months' sight	1s. 6¼d. "
Francs 3 month' sight	1·91. "

Some little talk has taken place about the Municipal operation in Bank bills forward, but from all we can ascertain it resolves itself into the comparitively insignificant sum of 5 lakhs distributed in monthly instalments from September 1886 to June 1887. On the part of a private firm the operation would scarcely have called for special notice, but some little prominence having been given to it we depart from our usual course in giving the details. To our thinking the most interesting part of the transaction has still to be completed in obtaining the remittances for the two succeeding years, and this we shall watch with some degree of interest.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES have undergone no change of any kind. Fours are steady at Rs. 2,713-16. Fours-and-a-half at Rs. 101.

SHARES are dull but practically without change. Bombay. Burmah Trading are quoted at Rs. 3,175, Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mines are being offered at Rs 14½.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	2½ p.ct.	720
Bank of Bengal	42,000	500	all	10 do.	321x
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 do.	587½
EXCHANGE BANKS.		£	£		
Agra Bank	10,000	100	1	6 do.	130
Hong. and Shang. B. Corporation	60,000	$125	all	17½ do.	266
National Bank of India	37,336	250		5 pct.	193

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton	200	1,250	1,250	..	1,000
Akola Press Co.	82	500	500 Rs.	50	200
Alben Ginning Co.	100	500	500 Rs.	45	430
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	100	1,100	1,100 Rs.	175	1,060
Apollo Press Co. (small shares)	750	400	400 Rs.	20	270
Bellary	630	1,000	1,000 Rs.	10	490xd
Broach Cawnpore P. Co., Ld	500	200	200 Rs.	16	160
Bombay Cotton Press.	1,000	125	125	..	205
Colaba Press Co.	600	1,880	1,880 Rs.	600	740
Dhollera P. & G. Co.	500	300	300	12	160
East India Press Co.	700	1,000	1,000 Rs.	100	1,320
Fort Press Co.	150	5,000	5,000 Rs.	150	3,475
French Press Co.	300	500	500 Rs.	45	610
Harvey & Sabapathy Co., Ld.	450	500	500 Rs.	25	400
Khamgaum Cotton Press Co.	240	500	450 Rs.	40	390
Manmar Manfg. Co	1,000	200	200 Rs.	10	240
Mercantile Press	1,500	125	125	..	120
Mofussil Co.	3,125	400	400	..	415
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,250	500	500	..	560
New Broach Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,400	100	500	..	3
New Indian Press	4,000	125	125	..	132½
Prince of W. Press	600	500	100	Rs. 30	535
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld. (Bellary.)	500	500	500	Rs. 75	450
Sind Press Co.	400	2,000	750	Rs. 75	600
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000	Rs. 100	1,200
Sassoon Press Co.	300	500	500	25	515
Volkart Press Co.	450	1,000	1,000	Rs. 20	700

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steam-ship Bhownuggur, 108 tons, Nacoda sails to-day for Bhownuggur with a general cargo and 45 deck passengers.

THE Asiatic S N Co's steam-ship Peshwa, 1,399 tons, Captain J Carson, cleared yesterday for Coasts and Calcutta with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steam-ship Mecca, 936 tons Captain A Magenis, sailed yesterday for Zanzibar with a general cargo and 12 deck passengers.

THE steam-ship Amphitrite, 2,486 tons, Captain B Geitcich, arrived in harbour on the 23th instant from Trieste, with a general cargo and 8 first class and 15 deck passengers.

THE Asiatic S N Co's steam-ship Shahzada, 1,666 tons, Captain W Mason, arrived in harbour on the 25th instant from Calcutta (8th March), with a general cargo and 13 deck passengers; she is consigned to Messrs Dossa Kirpal and Co.

THE B I S N Co's steam-ship Satara, 820 tons, Captain J Livingstone, arrived in harbour yesterday from Basreh via Kurrachee, with a general cargo and the following passengers :—H E Sir C Arbuthnot, K C B, Commander-in-Chief; Col Barrodail, C B, Asst Adjt Gl, R A; Lt-Col Adam, Offg Qr-Mr Gl; Major Henning, Military Secretary; Captain Russell, A D C; Mrs Samuels, Surgu-Major Samuels, Lieut Ashley, Mr J Boscher, Mr J D Davis, M Nuscakhan, Clerk Berooshat, Clerk Moodooram and his wife and 113 deck.

VESSELS IN THE PRINCE'S DOCK.

26TH MARCH.

Vessels.	Net Tonnage.	Captains.	Sheds	Company or Agents.
S.S. City of Canterbury	2090	A. B. Gray	P	Sir Charles Forbes & Co.
" Darien	1780	H. B. Beard	E	James Mackintosh & Co.
" Clan Gordon	1354	N. Harrison	F	Finlay Muir&Co
" Britania	3000	F. Bilght	B	W & A Graham.
" Peverll	1784	A. Burgess	L	Killick Nixon & Co.
" Sam Weller.	964	Murray	A	James Mackintosh & Co.
" C. Graham.	1911	J. White	G	Finlay Muir&Co
" Assam	3037	W. J. Nantes	D	P & O Company.
" Empress	1431	W. Smith		Wallace & Co.
" P.Primavesi	1066	A. D. Rey		James Mackintosh & Co.
" Australasian	2303	Simpson		Finlay, Muir & Co.
" Khalif	1491	A. Nash		Finlay, Muir & Co.
" Wernath Hall	3090	T. Collins	M	Edward Bettz & Co.
" Lawada	2147	R. L. Turner	A	B. I. S. N. Co.
" St. Dunstan	1461	J. Henry		Killick, Nixon, & Co.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.	Vessels.	Commander.	From.
25	Shahzada (s)	Mason	Calcutta, March 8.
26	Amphitrite (s)	Ge'oich	Trieste.
26	Satara (s)	Livingstone.	Buarch, March 12.

DEPARTURES.

Mar.	Vessels.	Commander	Destination.
26	Burmah (s)	Mitchell	Kurrachee.
	Surat (s)	Murray	London, &c.
	Mecca (s)	Magenis	Zanzibar.
	Peshwa (s)	Carson	Calcutta.

The steam-ship Bhownuggur, Nacoda, obtained her port-clearance yesterday.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday :—Steamer Lawada, for London, via Kurrachee.
" Constitution for Antwerp.
" Satara, for Persian Gulf.
" Scindia, for Coasts and Calcutta.
" Turquoise, for Trieste and Venice.
" Amphitrite, for China, &c.
" Shahzada, for C. and Calcutta.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Mar.			
22	Genista	Cook	Liverpool. Nov. 29.
	Macmillan	Grey	Montevideo, Oct. 23.
	Udston	Hampshire	London, Dec. 10.

DEPARTURES.

March 22,—Steamer Bullaarat. Ship Grassendale and Warrior.

HIGH COURT.—MARCH 27.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE SCOTT.)
(If Chamber business is over by 2 o'clock p.m.)
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

435-84—Hore, C and B—M F de Souza vs E P V de Souza—Winter and B.—Part heard.
307-84—Naun and H—Ambabai vs Shaik Ismailji Jawabhoy and others—Tyabji and D.
3-85—Macfarlane and E—Fuckeerchund Ghellabhoy and others vs Gotumchund Manockchund and others—Jefferson, B and D.
402-84—Little, S, F and N—Navivow vs Nundoo Meghji and others—Tyabji and D, and Hore, C, and B.
230-83—Tyabjee and D—Joosub Abdulla and others vs Ameruddin bin Mahomed, &c.—M H Khan and T H Penee.
505-85—Payne, G and S—Haji Moosa Adum vs Zulikabai and others—Khunderao M.

(Before the Hon. Sir WILLIAM WEDDERBURN.)
Summary Suit.

89-86—Payne, G and S—Dowa Rana and others vs Sadashiv Vishwanath Dhurundhur.
For investigation of pauperism.
1-86—Winter and B—Bai Kasi vs Bai Achrat and another—Thakurdas, D and C.
5-86—In person—Jaithabhai Goolabchund vs Leherchund Curumchund.
8-86—In person—Jugonath Guneeh vs Ramshaha Khooshal.
9-86—In person—Furdoonjee Hormusjee Shroff vs Sorabjee Framjee—B Shroff.
11-86—In person—Tribhowan Veerjee vs Kera Vuja and others.
12-86—In person—Zelik Lamboo Reigorodsky vs Solomon Litavasky.
Suits for hearing and final disposal.
Long Causes.

114-85—In person—(a pauper)—Anund Heera vs Dema Madha—In person—Part heard.
426-85—Little, S, F and N—Gotumchund Bechardas vs Sha Kallidas Govindjee and others—Nanu and H.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 25th March, 1886.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·854
Temperature of the Air	78·0
Wet Bulb Thermometer	69·9
Dew Point	66·2
Relative humidity of Air	67·6
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky=cloud=10).	1·3
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m.)	83·2
Minimum do. do (read at 10 a.m.)	72·7
General Directions of Wind*	NW, ESE, WNW, NW.
Movement of wind in 24 hours*	253

* From midnight to midnight.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—MARCH 23.

Fenton, Capt, Bo, S C, on duty, from Kattyawar.

MARCH 25.

Andrews, Lt, Ms Staff Corps, on furlough, from Cannanore.

MARCH 26.

Neish, Lt, Bo R H A, on leave, from Cannanore.
Adam, Lt-Col, Bo, Dy Qr-Mr-Gl, on duty, from Kurrachee.
Apling, Lt, 7th Bo Inf, on duty, from Kurrachee.
Samuels, Surg-Maj, Bo M S, on duty, from Kurrachee.

DEPARTURES.—MARCH 25.

Dane, Surg, Bo, Bhopal Batn, on leave, to—

MARCH 26.

Wallace, Lt-Col, Bo 2nd Bn H L Inf, on leave, to England.
Prendergast, Lt-Col, Bl, on furlough, to England.
Murray, Lt-Col, Bl K A, on leave, to Meerut
Barnett, Lt, Bo 3rd Cavy, on leave, to Meerut.
McNair, Col, Bl Inf, on permission to reserve out of India, to England.
Humfrey, Maj, Bo 10th Regt, N L I, from leave, to Bhuj.
Neish, Lt, Bo R H A, on leave, to England.
Smith, Staff Serjt, Ms Comt Dept, off leave, to Madras.
Fell, Maj, Bl 8th Hus, on leave, to England.
Parah, Maj, Bo, 2nd R S Fus, on duty, to Poona.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS,

By Lieut.-Col. the Hon. L. H. Bayley, Comdt., B. V. R. C.

Bombay, 27th March, 1886.

The Regiment, including the Mounted Rifles, will parade this day, Saturday, the 27th instant, for the annual inspection by the Brigadier-General Commanding the District. Fall in in front of the Gymkhana at 4-30 p.m. Red uniform, with helmets, arms and accoutrements, to be worn. All members who are unable to attend must furnish a medical certificate, or apply for leave. Members are reminded that the capitation grant cannot be drawn for those who are absent without leave from the annual inspection parade. Recruits who have not been supplied with red uniform are requested to attend in white. Special tram will start from Colaba, Byculla, Grant-road, Girgaum and Prince's Dock at 4 p.m. Members who are at either of the above terminus and all those met on the way will be conveyed free of charge. Members are requested to be punctual, as the tram will start at the time stated above.

Members are again reminded that class-firing will cease on the 31st inst; it is therefore requested that all will do their utmost to complete on or before the above date. Those who cannot go to Coorla should attend at Colaba on the following days :—Monday the 29th, and Wednesday the 31st instant.

There will be riding school and dismounted drill with carbines and blank ammunition for all members of the Mounted Rifles this morning (Saturday) at 6-30. Members are reminded that the troop will be inspected this afternoon, Saturday, 27th inst.

Vol H G Meakin, H Company, is promoted to be Sergeant from this date.

It is notified, for general information, that Lady Reay has kindly consented to present the prizes shot for at the Rifle Association Meeting in January last, at 5-15 p.m., on the 1st proximo, on the general parade ground in front of the Gymkhana.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Rifle Association at Quartermaster Soundy's on Monday, the 29th inst., at 5-30 p.m.

30 rounds of blank ammunition to be issued per man for the inspection parade this day. All ball ammunition to be removed from the pouches before coming on parade.

By order,
H. HODGKINSON, Capt.,
Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BIRTH.

SCAIFE—March 13, at Calcutta, the wife of Theodore Scaife, of a son.

DEATHS.

EDWARDS—March 21, at Calcutta, Tom M Edwards, Assistant, Kellyden Tea Garden, Assam, aged 21 years 10 months.
EYOOB—March 19, at Serampore, Edward Eyoob.
LE PELLEY—March20, at Bankipur, E B le Pelley, Assistant Engineer, P W D.

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W. H. WILSON, Lt.-Col.
Acting Commissioner of Police.
Police Commissioner's Office, Bombay, 27th March, 1886.

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 1886.

How much loss officials with fixed salaries in rupees have to suffer from the depreciation of the rupee is a matter not so easy to determine as is sometimes supposed. That they do suffer very severely was frankly admitted by the Viceroy and his Councillors, who lamented that they had to inflict an income-tax on salaries that had already suffered so severely by exchange. Every time we send £50 home, and have to pay Rs. 666 for the remittance, we seem to have a practical illustration of the fact and an exact measure of the amount of loss sustained. Yet a consideration of some comforting facts and figures given in the *Economist* and *Statist* will show that the evil is at any rate not so great as is generally supposed, and that we certainly do not lose Rs. 166 whenever we pay Rs. 666 instead of Rs. 500 for £50. From the columns of these two financial newspapers we find clear evidence of the fact that the same causes which have depreciated silver as compared with gold have also led to a marked fall in prices, so that each sovereign in England will now buy far more than it used to do in the days of two shilling rupees. This fall in prices is so great that, according to the *Statist*, an income of £445 will now go as far in England as an income of £500 went in 1870. As the real value of money is its general purchasing power, we ought to estimate our incomes not by the amount of gold into which they could be converted, but by our power of purchasing necessaries and luxuries. Now it is generally admitted that the rupee in India has not depreciated in value. All the loss that we suffer from the changed relative value of the precious metals is sustained when we purchase imports from Europe or remit money home. An examination of the price lists issued by the European shops fifteen years ago will show that, in spite of the fall of the rupee, we do not really pay much more now for European goods purchased in India than we did in 1870. Some articles in the advertisements of that date are dearer, and others are cheaper than now, but on the average there is not much difference observable. Our loss in remittances home cannot indeed be denied, but it is satisfactory to learn on good authority that even this loss is at any rate diminished by the compensating action of the fall of prices in England. If we accept as substantially correct the estimate given by the *Statist*, which we have no reason to suspect of exaggeration, then we may conclude that whoever now remits home for the expenses of his family £445, enables them to live in the same comfort as a yearly remittance of £500 would have provided fifteen years ago. Therefore, in order to obtain as much of everything in England as was secured by an official who in 1870, when the rupee was nearly worth two shillings, remitted Rs. 5,000 yearly, we must remit not Rs. 6,666 but only Rs. 5,933, the equivalent of £445 at 1s. 6d. for the rupee. Looked at from this light, the loss, though still great, is not nearly so much as is usually supposed, and there is happily every reason to believe that, when prices in England have been still further adjusted to the present values of the precious metals, the purchasing power of English money in England will be still more increased, and the real loss by exchange as measured by the purchasing power of our rupees when converted into English sovereigns will be proportionately diminished.

That this fall of prices should have been brought about by the same causes as have depreciated silver in comparison with gold is only what was naturally to be expected. Chief among these causes were, as everybody knows, the substitution of a gold for a silver standard in Germany and Holland, and the restriction of the coinage of silver in France, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium and Greece. As the demand for the precious metals is to a great extent determined by their employment as money, the demonetisation of silver and consequent increased coinage of gold has not only lessened the demand for silver, but also made gold much scarcer and therefore more valuable than it would otherwise be. Thus what has depreciated the rupee has necessarily appreciated the sovereign, which, we are therefore not surprised to learn, now goes much farther in England than it used to do fifteen years ago. According to the *Statist* the fall in prices has not been uniform. "Among the articles which have fallen most are articles of food, and among these again cereals have fallen much more than meat, the latter by comparison, at least beef and mutton, having fallen only to a moderate extent. Clothing again has fallen very considerably in price, as also articles of tropical produce, such as sugar and tea, which are the luxuries of the masses. But it is not so clear that there is a distinct fall in house rent, while servants' money wages have probably as yet hardly begun to diminish at all. The fees paid for education and similar services by the upper and middle classes are also not likely to have been changed by anything that has happened, and articles of luxury, such as expensive dresses, pictures, and the like are equally unlikely to have changed, the cost of expensive labour in such articles being very large." Turning from those general conclusions to the comparative prices of various commodities, we find that between 1870 and 1884 the average price of wheat has declined from 46s. 10d. to 35s. 8d. per quarter; of sugar from 32s. to 21s. per cwt.; of tea from 17d. to a shilling per lb. The price of imported bacon and hams has fallen in like proportion. The fall in the price of these articles must have much lessened the expense of food, particularly in the case of very small incomes.

On the other hand rent, education, and servants' wages do not seem to have yet been affected. By this unequal fall of prices some have lost and some have gained. The heaviest losers thereby seem to have been capitalists, who get smaller prices for the sale of their manufactures, and have, nevertheless, been paying about the same wages as before to their labourers. Agricultural landlords have suffered from great depression of rents owing to the lowering of the prices of cereals and butcher's meat. Those of them who out of their diminished rentals have to pay heavy mortgage charges, contracted when gold was less valuable, suffer far heavier loss than Indian officials suffer by the fall of the rupee. The chief gainers by the changed scales of prices are the owners of small fixed incomes, and as is shown by the *Statist*, the smaller the fixed income the greater the proportionate saving due to the fall of prices. If we may trust the rough estimates given, the spender of an income of £100 gains £16 15s. by the reduced costs of food, clothing, and miscellaneous expenses, while families spending £500 and £1,000 per annum gain respectively £55 and £75. On the strength of these figures we may be confident that although we get fewer sovereigns for our rupees than we got in 1870, on the other hand we can buy a good deal more with our sovereigns. In the above estimates it is assumed that as yet the appreciation of gold has made no perceptible diminution in the cost of rent, education, and servants' wages. But the writer of the article we have been considering, concludes that "house rents, servants' money wages, and other items which count largely in the expenditure of families as they advance in the scale of living, must very shortly be adjusted to the fall of prices which has taken place." Thus we have not only comfort for the present, but also hope for the future. The fall of prices due to the appreciation of gold gives already a gain of 11 per cent. on the expenditure of £500 a year in England, as compared with fifteen years ago, and we are encouraged to expect that after a few years the cost of living at home will be still further diminished. One moral to be derived from the considerations given above, and especially from the anticipated further fall in prices, is that it is not advisable for Anglo-Indian parents in arranging for the upbringing of their children at home either to take long leases of houses or make engagements extending far into the future for the payment of fixed yearly sums to cover the expense of their children's board, lodging, and education. Annual payments under these heads, which in the present state of affairs may be in accordance with market value, are likely to become extravagant when the expected more general fall of prices has been brought about by the operation of political economical laws.

THE greatly complicated Crole-Garstin affair will give people in the Madras Presidency more than enough to talk about for the remainder of Mr. Grant Duff's term of office, and will possibly be welcomed by that most accomplished of Governors as an exciting diversion of public interest from the merits and demerits of his administration. But the business is not being well managed by the Government of Madras. People who think that Mr. Crole has been harshly treated in being first transferred from the Madura district to a worse one, and then suspended for a year, will not think that matters would have been mended if the Government had carried out its intention of sending a Commissioner to inquire into Mr. Crole's work at Madura. That the intention has been abandoned is only another proof of the capacity of the Madras Government to excel in the forcible-feeble line. It was surely not one that could have been carried out without risking the not unimpeached reputation of the present administration for doing the right thing in the right way. For the offence which led to Mr. Crole's removal had no maladministrative character whatever. The unlucky Collector had used an ill-chosen phrase in asking the Board of Revenue to delete a paragraph in a document. A Board of Letters rather than a Board of Revenue should have been left to decide whether there was anything offensive in the offending expression. To ask a public body to delete a paragraph which appears over the signature of its secretary is not necessarily "grossly insubordinate." If a letter may without offence be said to be under date the 25th of March, the last paragraph in it may without offence be said to appear over the signature of John Jones. The expression indicates locality, and it does this with a precision by no means out of place even in an official document. If the Board of Revenue chose to interpret it as implying that they had nothing to do with the letter signed by their assistant sub-secretary, they must have had reasons for putting that interpretation upon it which are caviare to the general. From all that has been revealed regarding Mr. Crole's relation to members of the Board—to Mr. Garstin in particular—it seems highly improbable that he meant to credit them with being passive creatures with no thought or voice save such as an assistant sub-secretary might think or utter for them. We do not think that the Board of Revenue would have done amiss if they had left Mr. Crole to be the interpreter of his own phrase. But the Government of Madras have sustained the Board in the view that no one knows less of what is in a writer's mind than the writer. This might be remembered against them if they were some day under the necessity of explaining that in nominating for the inquiry into Mr. Crole's administration a cousin of the Member of Council respecting whose connection with some land speculations at Ootacamund Mr. Crole had made some rather serious allegations, they had no intention of instituting any other than an absolutely impartial investigation. The best thing that the Government have yet done in the matter is the abandonment of the proposed inquiry, and that is not saying much for them.

MR. JUSTICE STRAIGHT has once more been passed over. There was a general feeling, both among Europeans and natives, that it would be a graceful act to appoint him to the chief justiceship of the North-West Provinces in succession to Sir Comer Petheram. Mr. Justice Straight has sat on the Bench for several years, and has the reputation of possessing an intimate knowledge of native character in its various phases, and of being thoroughly versed in the legal requirements of the North-West Provinces. But academical as compared with political claims receive little consideration, and we therefore need not be surprised to find that Mr. Justice Straight, who if a good lawyer is also a Conservative, has been passed over in favour of Mr. W. R. Kennedy, Q. C. Mr Kennedy, who was called to the Bar in 1871, belongs both to Lincoln's Inn and Middle Temple. He is a man of singularly juvenile appearance, and, as a matter of fact, is hardly more than thirty-five or thirty-six years of age. He, however, possesses great ability, and has for several years held a leading position among the barristers in the North West of England. In the inquiries which almost invariably follow municipal and parliamentary elections in Liverpool, Mr. Kennedy, though a pronounced Radical, has frequently been retained to plead the cause of the Conservatives. Mr. Kennedy is also a speaker of considerable eloquence, and has done great service to Liberalism in South-West Lancashire and Cheshire by haranguing public meetings. He contested the representation of Birkenhead with General Hamley at the last general election, but was defeated. It is not altogether in forgetfulness of his political services that he has been appointed to the Chief Justiceship of the North-West Provinces.

THE large number of Old Cheltonians who have passed into the Indian Army and the Civil Service gives some appropriateness to the notification which Mr. Justice Brandt makes in another column of the steps that are being taken in England to raise a memorial in Cheltenham College to the Rev. T. A. Southwood, who was for more than forty years a master in the College. The number of his former pupils in Bombay alone cannot be inconsiderable, to judge from the fact that on a recent occasion at a regimental mess in this city fourteen of the eighteen who were at dinner were Old Cheltonians. The appeal which Mr. Justice Brandt makes should awaken a strong personal interest amongst the many officers and civilians who passed through Mr. Southwood's hands.

YUM YUM'S BENEFIT.

FEW actresses have left a more pleasing impression on Indian play-goers than Miss Emma Markham, who has proved herself to be equally successful in comedy as in the more sober departments of dramatic art. As Yum Yum she contributed largely to the success of the recent performances of the Mikado, and we are sure that the announcement that she will take her benefit at the Gaiety Theatre this evening will bring together a large number of her old friends to pay a tribute to her vivacity and versatility. The Mikado will be again repeated, the cast being the same as at the previous performances.

THE LATE COLONEL MIGNON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is with the greatest interest I peruse the letters of your Poona correspondent, and I must ask you to convey to him my apologies for the correction I am about to make to his letter that appeared in yesterday's issue. It relates to the death of my old friend, Colonel Mignon. Your correspondent errs in saying he was drowned in Australia, for the sad occurrence took place while he was returning from Singhur to Poona. He was overtaken by a terrific storm, and it is supposed his horse took fright (by the way, the same beautiful grey Arab charger he is represented on in the picture), and threw his rider into a mountain stream. The horse galloped into Poona at midnight, and a party was at once sent in search of its master, whom they found lying dead with his face in the stream. Great indeed was the grief when the sad news of the Colonel's fate spread over Poona. You may rely on this statement, as it comes from one who was in Poona.

March 26. AT THE TIME.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your correspondent "R. W." asserts that I have not applied to the case of India the bi-metallists favourite argument of scarcity of coin; and that, had I done so, I should have "arrived at the conclusion that the medium of exchange being plentiful, and trade thus untrammelled, the country has been able to develop naturally and easily the resources which have first been called into existence by railways, peace, good administration," &c. If "R. W." had heard my lecture, he would have known that a similar argument was used by one of the merchants to whom I applied before I delivered my lecture; and that I at once admitted that if the volume of currency had increased, its incre

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE IRISH QUESTION.

LONDON, MARCH 25.

In the House of Commons, last night, Sir W. V. Harcourt, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the absence of Mr. Gladstone, who, owing to his suffering from a severe chill, was not present, said that the Government would make a statement to the House on the 8th April respecting the Irish question.

THE ROUMELIAN QUESTION.

CONSTANTINOPLE, MARCH 25.

All the Great Powers, with the exception of Russia, have accepted the proposal made by Italy that Prince Alexander be appointed Governor-General of Roumelia for an indefinite period.

TURKISH LOAN.

A Turkish forced loan of £300,000 is announced.

THE BURMAN COMMAND.

LONDON, MARCH 26, NOON.

Sir U. Kay-Shuttleworth (Under-Secretary for India), replying to a question in the Commons, said that communications are now passing between the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India for placing the military command of the whole of Burma under the Commander-in-Chief of India.

THE CONVOCATION OF THE MADRAS UNIVERSITY.*

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, MARCH 26.

In his address to the Convocation of the Madras University, partly reported yesterday, the Governor, turning to the question as to what is to become of the unsuccessful candidates for Government employment, said he would like to see many more of them turn their attention to Civil Engineering, especially Hydraulic Engineering, there being ninety thousand tanks in Southern India. He also strongly urged the claims upon them of medical sciences and art. We ought to have many hundred trained men and women doctors in this presidency. He urged them to spread the knowledge of cinchona alkaloids as a fever medicine, remarking that Government will soon be in a position to furnish a most admirable febrifuge at a fabulously cheap rate. Then there was conservancy and its hundred practices deserving their attention. There was agriculture admitting indirect results of expenditure at Saidapett. He would like to see a much larger portion of the educated intelligence of Southern India directed towards land. Government had set on foot a large scheme of technical and industrial education with examinations in sixty-six subjects. He hoped a great many youths unfit for University studies would thus find honorable and lucrative careers. He hoped this scheme might be specially useful to Mahomedans, who here show a curious indisposition to book learning. What this country wants above all things is material prosperity. The Madras Government has steadily pushed in this direction. Government however could do but little. The educated or relatively educated people must drag South India out of the slough of poverty. He proceeded, and less and less, I am afraid, must you look to English capitalists. Persons who write and declaim in favour of large political changes in India produce no effect upon the Government, but they do produce and, I fear they will ever more and more produce an effect upon the English capitalist who, if he once were to get into his head that the real opinion of India is represented by some persons who profess to represent it, would as soon think of lending to her as to Honduras. This is a danger which you will have to face. I am sorry for it, for India sorely needs great supplies of capital borrowed in the cheapest market, yet if the chatter about the tribute paid by India to England gets loud enough really to catch the ear of the British investor, adieu to cheap capital for India. She will then have to do everything she wants out of her own poor savings. That is one of many reasons for which I would urge more and more of you to become manufacturers, agriculturists and producers of exchangeable articles; to devote yourselves, in short, to careers by which men and countries grow rich. Among the directions in which natives might find scope for their energies, were politics in their journalistic form, and social and religious reform. He warned them against becoming entangled in contentions of English politicians. In literature there was a vast field for them—the improvement of the vernacular language and neglected native art. He alluded to the existing ignorance of the South of India and its natural history, archæology, geology and botany on the part of the natives. In comparing the University of Madras with that of Aberdeen, of which he had been Lord Rector, he alluded to the old-fashioned and semi-barbarous methods of teaching at Aberdeen; here there was nothing of the sort.

BOMBAY TROOPS FOR BURMA.

The I. G. S. Canning left for Rangoon this afternoon, with the 7th Bombay Infantry and about two hundred details.

* [Delayed in transmission.]

THE BURMAN COMMANDS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, MARCH 26.

General Prendergast, who returned yesterday evening from Tounghoo, vacates the Command on the 31st, when the following arrangements will be made:—Brigadier Norman returns to India, for a Brigade Command, Brigadier General White commands Upper Burma with the local rank of Major General, with Colonels Hodding and Griffiths as Brigadiers. Colonel Dicken, commanding the Ningyan Field Force, is to command Colonel Hodding's Brigade, pending the latter's arrival.

ENGAGEMENTS WITH DACOITS.

An engagement is reported to have taken place at Yemethen. Our loss is one private of the Somersetshire killed, Lieutenant Fox and a sergeant, Somersetshire, severely wounded. The enemy's loss is 30 to 40 killed.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, MARCH 25.

The Clan line steamer Clan Macintosh arrived here yesterday evening.

The Clan line steamer Clan Matheson arrived here yesterday evening.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Lodiana left here for Bombay, Kurrachee and Malabar coast this afternoon.

LISBON, MARCH 25.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Duke of Devonshire left here yesterday evening.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, MARCH 26.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

The London Cotton market has been quiet.

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The Manchester market has been quiet.

4 per cent. Rupee Paper		73¾
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3 ,,	Consols for account	100⅜
3½ ,,	Sterling Loan	101¼
4½ ,,	French Rentes	109
Silver		46 11-16

Arrival.—County of Salop.

LONDON, MARCH 25.

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total Bullion £21,200,000. Inc. £100,000. Public Deposits £10,800,000. Inc. £1,100,000. Other Deposits £24,300,000. Dec. 1,200,000. Other Securities £24,500,000. Dec. £100,000. Notes and Gold £14,500,000. Dec. £100,000. The Bank's Reserve is 41 per cent. of the liabilities

His Excellency the Governor made his reappearance in public after his recent indisposition, and distributed the prizes to the male and female students at the Grant Medical College last evening. Although forbidden to speak by his medical adviser, Lord Reay briefly expressed his acknowledgments of the vote of thanks accorded to him, and assured them that he took the liveliest interest in the College, believing that everything accomplished in promoting medical science in this country was done for the future generations of India. Sir William Wedderburn addressed the assembly at length, explaining the proposals made by Dr. Atmaram Pandurang for establishing a second medical school at the Gokuldas Tejpal Hospital, in order to relieve the crowding at the Grant Medical College. He expressed his belief that much might be done in an independent direction by private effort, and dwelt upon the advantages that would accrue from Indian ideas following the training of Western science and developing themselves with local surroundings.

Mr. James Burgess, LL.D., C.I.E., has received the appointment of Director-General of the Archæological Survey of India.

A salute of fifteen guns was fired yesterday at 7-30 a.m., announcing the arrival of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Sir C. Arbuthnot, K.C.B., from Kurrachee. Another salute was fired at 3-30 p.m. to announce the departure of the Thakore Saheb of Gondal for England by the mail steamer.

We hear that, as a result of the cycling contests on Saturday, there are now very definite prospects of a Cycling Club being established in Bombay. A preliminary meeting takes place on Monday evening at 9-30, at Mr. Crowder's offices, 2, Church-Gate Street.

The Hon. Dadabhai Naorojee, who is expected to return to Bombay within three months, left for England by yesterday's mail steamer. Accompanied by some members of the Gaiyan Utejak Mandli, of which he is the president, Mr. Dadabhai left Apollo Bunder for the mail-steamer at 3 p.m. Later on, several members of the Corporation and others went to the bunder; but finding that he had already left it, some of them proceeded on board the steamer to wish him God-speed. His Highness the Thakore Saheb of Gondal, who was a passenger by the steamer, left from the Apollo Bunder under a salute of nine guns from the saluting battery. The Gaekwar's brother also left for England by yesterday's steamer.

It is stated that the India Office now favours the idea of an International Conference on the bi-metallic question.

The fourth report on the prospects of the wheat crop in the Central Provinces is as follows:—"Prospects remain practically the same as last month; the hail which fell in the first week of March having done but little damage in Seoni, Balaghat and Raipur. Prices, however, generally rule lower than at the date of last report. Exports continue to decline and are less by 450,000 maunds than they were last year."

The Finance Committee does not formally assemble for work till next month, but meanwhile Mr. Elliott and Mr. Cunningham are collecting materials, and are in communication with the Bengal Secretariat, examining the details of the Provincial Contract.

The *Indian Mirror*, which is seldom pleased with anything, is very much displeased with the Parliamentary Committee. It thinks, that if the Conservatives had been in power now, Lord Randolph Churchill would have made the Committee less objectionable in its composition. "For Lord Randolph distinctly told the Indian delegates that he would be the last person to introduce an official element or anything approaching to it into the Committee. But we have been much disappointed with the constitution of the Committee formed by the Liberal Cabinet, and we repeat that a strong protest should be entered against it. It is not likely that with such a Committee, the inquiry can be much useful."

The *Pioneer* has received a telegram from London announcing that Mr. W. R. Kennedy, Q.C., has been appointed Chief Justice of Allahabad. Referring to the fact that a successor to Sir Comer Petheram is to be sent from home, the Allahabad paper says:—"We cannot say that the general expectation will be altogether disappointed by this announcement, because it had been for some time pretty evident that the simple, sensible, and proper course of promoting Mr. Justice Straight was to be departed from in favour of some arrangement involving delay and requiring more elaborate consideration. But the general feeling of mortification and of anger will not be the less pronounced. And the case—the hard case—exemplified in the person of Mr. Straight, is only a part of the wrong. There is the wrong done to the public service—the feeling which more than one recent appointment has helped to intensify that, no matter what a man's claims and merits may be, no matter how loyally these may have been pressed by the highest authority in India, they will profit him nothing where it is permitted the home authorities to give the casting vote. Nor will even our good men be slow to shape their ways accordingly. We have no wish to prejudice the coming Chief Justice in public opinion. But it is impossible to examine his record and avoid conclusions that serve in some measure to emphasise our remarks."

Among the names associated with the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sir Edmund Henderson, the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, was that of Mr. Jenkinson, of Dublin Castle, and formerly of the Indian Civil Service. But no one seems to have a good word for Mr. Jenkinson. One London journal confidently predicted that his appointment would cause a mutiny in the force, while the *World* declares that he has been a gigantic failure wherever he has been tried. Three or four years ago, says this paper, Mr. Jenkinson retired on a small pension from the Indian Civil Service, but was dragged from the retirement to which he might well have been left, to assist in the repression of Irish crime. It is an open secret, proceeds the *World*, that in his short career at Dublin Castle he made many enemies and worked much mischief; his removal to London, to advise the Home Secretary on Fenian affairs, was hailed with great joy beyond the Irish Channel, and probably the only people who would be delighted at his appointment to the London Police would be his Irish colleagues, because they would know that they had got rid of him for ever.

The Hon. T. C. Hope opened on Thursday a section of railway of the Indian Midland Railway from Cawnpore to Kalpi. Starting from Cawnpore, the main line of the Indian Midland Railway system runs *viâ* Kalpi, Jhansi, and Etawah to Bhopal, a distance of 320 miles, and joins the G. I. P. main line at Itarsi, about halfway between Khundwa and Jubbulpore. The saving of distance thus effected for traffic proceeding from Cawnpore to the Bombay port of exportation is 120 miles. Besides the main direct line, however, from Cawnpore to Bhopal, there are other connected lines—Jhansi-Gwalior, Jhansi-Manickpur, Etawah-Saugor—which, when completed, will raise the mileage of the system to nearly 700 miles. The survey of the line from Cawnpore to Kalpi was commenced in the spring of 1884, so that the whole of the operations involved in constructing the forty-two miles of railway have been carried out in two years. The cost of the forty-two miles will be about thirty lakhs of rupees, or Rs. 70,000 per mile.

Besides the section of line between Cawnpore and Kalpi, there is at Kalpi a very important bridge over the river Jumna. The works now in progress at the bridge are on a very large scale, and are in charge of Mr. Monk. The bridge as designed will be of girders covering ten spans of 250 feet each. The piers are 76 feet high from level of water to lower flange of the main girders, and are to be built on well foundations, each pier having two wells, 27 feet external diameter and sunk 90 feet below the bed of the river. Up to the present the work on the bridge has been confined solely to sinking the wells, and in this good progress has been made. The foundations of all the piers are being carried down steadily; those of three having been already sunk to their full depth. Some difficulty was experienced in the sinking of No. 5 pier foundations, one of the wells having got 8 feet out of plumb in going down 50 feet; by a well-devised arrangement of tackle, however, a steady pull of two or three hundred tons was brought to bear on the upper length of the well, and under the continued strain thus applied the cylinder has come gradually back to its proper position as the sinking progressed. The girders should be in position and the bridge open for traffic in another two years. The cost of the bridge and approaches is estimated at thirty-four lakhs of rupees.

The latest reports from the tea districts state that there have been showers near Dibrughar, but that, with this exception, the weather in Assam has been very hot and dry. About ten days ago good rain fell in Kachar and parts of North Silhet, but since then the weather has been hot, and no more rain has fallen. The worst reports come from South Silhet, where rain was badly wanted, and it was expected that the plants would suffer owing to the long-continued drought. The prospects in the Darjiling districts and the Terai are favourable, while more rain is wanted in the Dooars, and there has been no rain in Chittagong. From Chutia Nagpur the accounts are favourable.

The prospects of indigo in Lower Bengal are by no means favourable. Beyond some good rain at Midnapur, only light showers have fallen elsewhere, which, though benefitting the October plant, were not sufficient for the spring sowings. A fair amount of rain fell in most parts of Behar, which necessitated the resowing of a considerable area of land, but this has now been satisfactorily done, and the crop is looking well should there be no further fall of rain for another fortnight. The latest advices, however, report that east winds had begun to blow, accompanied by a good deal of clouds, and any fall of rain at present would do a deal of injury. No particular news has been received from either the Doab or the Benares districts.

The Professors threaten to become the dull bores of the House of Commons, and Professor Stuart, the latest addition, bids fair to sink to the level of Professor Hunter and Professor Thorold Rogers. "Professor Stuart," says a correspondent, "has wisely spoken but seldom; but, whenever he has delivered himself, he has been prolix and wearisome to the last degree, and he hesitates so long before coming to the point that his hearers have frequently forgotten his exordium before he has reached his peroration. The learned Professor seems likely to become one of those who go into the House with a good reputation and leave it there."

Lord Randolph Churchill's speeches have been remarkable for their smartness and pungency. They now threaten to be equally remarkable for their verbosity. At Manchester recently he made a speech of such length that he has called forth a rebuke from the *Times*. "It is perfectly understood nowadays," says the *Times*, "that an important political speech is not addressed merely to the audience in front of the speaker, but is intended to be read by hundreds of thousands whom his voice cannot reach. It would be politic to bear in mind the probable limits of human diligence and patience. Even if an orator is so fortunate in his subject and his audience as to be able to command attention for a couple of hours, he ought to consider the chances that busy, or careless, or prejudiced men will throw aside five columns of closely-printed matter, and content themselves with a summary which is certain to be imperfect and may be absolutely misleading. On India, Burma, bi-metallism, the unemployed, British trade and what the late Government did for it, the Tory party and his own exclusive devotion to its interests—a devotion surely better reserved for his country—Lord Randolph had many things to say, all interesting in their place. Only there are too many of them. Mr. Gladstone has set the fashion of intolerable prolixity. His briefest utterance is a speech, and his speeches are treatises. But Lord Randolph Churchill, who sets very little store by Mr. Gladstone's example in other matters, is under no obligation to imitate his prodigious verbosity."

Lord Randolph Churchill has been nicknamed. He is now spoken of as the Infant Hercules.

Lord Blackburn, the Senior Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, will, it is reported, shortly resign his seat in consequence of failing health, and Sir James Hannen, President of the Probate and Divorce Division, will be transferred to the House of Lords to fill the vacancy.

Lord Fife, who seceded from the Liberal party a short while ago, has not yet made any overtures to the Opposition, but Lord Yarborough, who still later deserted the Liberals, has asked to be nominated for the Carlton. He will be put up immediately, and before many days are over we shall hear of his election. Other Whig converts may be expected to follow his example.

The high figures to which the expenses of the returning officers ran during the late general election are being much complained of in Parliamentary circles. The charges in Scotland particularly are represented as having been unduly high. One case is cited in which, in a group of burghs, the returning officer's bill amounted to nearly £700—there having been four candidates, and every one of them having paid upwards of £150. Several gentlemen have expressed their intention to take up the subject, and to press for some more restrictive scale being introduced.

The Russian lady-doctors find warm advocates in some of the Moscow journals. The *Russkiya Viedomosti*, for example, states that they have been most valuable in towns, in the country, and in war. They are very suited for medical duties in girls' schools, and other institutions consisting of female inmates. As in the case of the Zenana mission and similar British institutions, Russian lady-doctors have made themselves very popular amongst the Mahomedans. The writer endeavours to impress upon the St. Petersburg municipal council the importance of subsidising the female medical courses, though other help is also necessary, both from the State and from private munificence.

MILITARY NEWS.

The Indian Marine steam-ship Tenasserim, 1,760 tons, Captain G. Wilson, sailed for Kurrachee with six officers, one lady, 373 European men, fourteen women, twenty children, one native officer, twenty men, three women, four children, sixteen followers and three horses. The following is the list of the officers:—Captain Brooks, 2nd Lancashire; Lieutenant L. Stokes, 2nd R. Lancaster; Lieutenant J. Y. Carter, 2nd Leinster; Lieutenant W. Sandback, 2nd Royal Lancaster; Surgeon R. H. Hall, Medical Staff; Lieutenant F. White, officiating Wing Officer 26th B. I.; and Miss Hamilton, daughter of the Commissariat-General.

Lieutenant-Colonel C. Grant, Cantonment Magistrate and Secretary to the Cantonment Committee, Neemuch, proceeds shortly on three months' privilege leave of absence to Europe. During his absence Colonel Bourlton, from Morar, officiates.

Major de Lantour, A/4 Royal Artillery, has obtained six months' leave of absence in India.

Surgeon D. V. O'Connell, M.D., M.C., L.M., has arrived at Neemuch and taken over charge of the Station Hospital, in the room of Surgeon-Major F. Falwasser, F.R.C.S., L.S.A., deceased.

Major Ebden, 23rd N. I., goes shortly on six months' furlough to Europe.

Lieutenant T. P. Geoghegan, of the Staff Corps, of the Transport Department, Egyptian Expeditionary Force, has joined the 3rd Native Cavalry.

Lieutenant A. F. Pinhey, the 3rd Native Cavalry, has joined the Political Department.

Lieutenant G. A. Gott, of the same, is proceeding on furlough shortly.

Lieutenant Nelson, of the Commissariat Department, has left on sick furlough to Europe for a year.

The I. M. S. Amberwitch, Captain W. Aves, will sail to-morrow for Kurrachee with the following officers and troops:—Surgeon A. V. Evans, Madras Medical Service, 4 warrant officers, 9 women and 7 children; one man of the 9th Bo. Inf.; one native officer, 38 men, 5 followers, 10 women and 10 children, of the Ordnance Department.

The Government of India have sanctioned that the establishment of medical warrant officers for the Hyderabad Contingent should consist of two apothecaries and three assistant apothecaries, and that, in consequence of this augmentation, the establishment of hospital assistants is to be reduced by four. It was proposed originally that the subordinate medical establishment for the Contingent should be localised, and promotion regulated amongst the members serving in the Contingent instead of departmentally. At present warrant medical officers are supplied by the Madras Medical Deparment, while the hospital assistants are drawn from the Medical school there. The Government of India consider that the Contingent should obtain its medical establishments from those maintained for the army generallly, as is the case with other local troops, to avoid complications hereafter, and the promotion of the members regulated departmentally. It has therefore been ordered that the present establishment of medical subordinates attached to the Hyderabad Contingent be gradually absorbed, and eventually replaced from the ranks of the Madras Subordinate Medical Department.

The Government of India, on the urgent representation of the Commissary General, have sanctioned a native victualling establishment to be attached, as in Bengal and Bombay, to British corps and batteries serving in the Madras Presidency. This establishment was sanctioned by a Special Commissariat Committee in 1882, but, on further correspondence arising, it was considered unnecessary, and the scheme fell through. But great difficulty having been experienced in obtaining the services of competent men to accompany the regiments which recently proceeded to Quetta and Burma, and as it is now considered essential that British troops, being ready to leave their station when necessity for field service arises, should be fully equipped with complete establishment, the necessity for keeping up in times of peace a native victualling establishment capable of being expanded in time of war, has become apparent. There are at present eleven regiments of British Cavalry and Infantry, including one at Quetta, and sixteen batteries of Artillery, connected with this Presidency, and it is estimated that the cost of the victualling establishment for these would be Rs. 760 per month. The Government of India have sanctioned one first class agent on Rs. 50 a month for each British Cavalry regiment, and one second-class agent on Rs. 40 for every two batteries of Artillery, the extension of the system to British Infantry regiments being left for future consideration, when, on a report being submitted at the end of a year as to the success or otherwise of the sanctioned measure, the question will be finally decided.

THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

The Bombay Presidency Association have received the following communication from the local Government in reply to the telegram despatched as under on the 23rd ultimo to the Prime Minister by the "Indian National Telegraph Union":—

Telegram—United Association of Bengal, Madras, and Bombay earnestly pray that inquiry into Indian affairs should be by Royal Commission containing English statesmen and competent Indians. No Anglo-Indian official as already telegraphed by Bengal Chamber of Commerce. Commission would take evidence here. This is essential. Parliamentary Committee of 1871 on Indian finance rendered fruitless by dissolution.

Reply— No. 828 of 1886.

Financial Department, Bombay Castle, 23rd March, 1886.

To the President, Bombay Presidency Association, Bombay.

Sir,—With reference to your telegram of the 23rd ultimo to the address of the Right Honourable W. E. Gladstone regarding the constitution of the Committee to enquire into the administration of India, I am directed, under instructions from the Government of India, to inform you that Her Majesty's Government had not failed to consider the question as between the appointment of a Royal Commission and a Parliamentary Committee, and that in their opinion the second method, which is in conformity with precedent, will be the most effective. They have therefore announced that they will propose a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament.—I have, &c.,

J. MONTEATH,
Under-Secretary to Government.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Lady Reay has consented to distribute the prizes shot for at the Rifle Association meeting. The distribution will take place at the Town Hall on April 1. The following is a list of prize winners:—

MATCH I.

Targets and Marking.		Wimbledon. Rs.
1st Prize, Vol Gordon, D Co		50
2nd ,,	Sergt Sharp, E Co	40
3rd ,,	Lieut English, B Co	30
4th ,,	Vol Kelly, F Co	20
5th ,,	Capt Brown, B Co	15
6th ,,	Capt Heyden, G I P R Vol	15
7th ,,	Lieut Brewin, D Co	10
8th ,,	Lieut Lund, E Co	10
9th ,,	Lieut Jefferies, A Co	5
10th ,,	Vol Fletcher, G Co	5

MATCH II.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Centre-piece presented by Messrs. Treacher and Co, Ld	140	L-C, Brown, G Co
2nd ,,	A Cup presented by Messrs Soundy & Co, Ld.	50	L-C, Mc-Kinnon, D Co
3rd ,,	Corpl Myers, D Co	30	
4th ,,	Vol Crowley, D Co	20	
5th ,,	L-C Clabby, G Co	10	
6th ,,	Vol Hall, B Co	5	

MATCH III.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Cup presented by H E the Governor	50	Segt Kees, C Co
2nd ,,	A Watch presented by Messrs Marcks and Co, Ld	50	Corpl Myers, D Co
3rd ,,	Vol Dolton, D Co	30	
4th ,,	L-C Clabby, G Co	20	
5th ,,	Sgt Sharp, E Co	10	
6th ,,	Sgt McDonnell, G Co	5	

MATCH IV.

Lady Reay's Prize.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	presented by Lady Reay— A [illegible] men [illegible] those [illegible] band		Vol Major, D Co.
2nd ,,	[illegible] will be awarded by the [illegible]ker & Co, Ld.	60	Vol Stephen, D Co
3rd ,,	Lieut English, B Co	30	
4th ,,	Cr-Sgt Melvin, E Co	20	
5th ,,	Sgt Sharp, E Co	10	
6th ,,	L-C Clabby, G Co	5	

MATCH V.

		Rs.	
1st Prize.—	The N R A Silver Medal, and a Vol Watkins, D Co,		
	Telescope presented by Messrs Phillips and Co, Limited	60	Corpl E Thomas, C Co
2nd ,,	—A Cup presented by D Macropolo, Esq.	35	L-C Clabby,
3rd ,,	Sgt Black, D Co	30	
4th ,,	Vol Crowley, E Co	20	
5th ,,	Sgt Sharp, E Co	10	
6th ,,	Capt Brown, B Co	5	

MATCH VI.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Cup, presented by Messrs Lund and Blockley	75	Lieut Jefferies, A Co
2nd ,,	L-C Lane, E Co	50	
3rd ,,	L-C Tate, B Co	30	
4th ,,	C-Segt Melwin, E Co	20	
5th ,,	Vol Dolton, D Co	10	
6th ,,	Lieut Sharp, E Co	5	

MATCH VII.

1st Prize, Half the entries, Capt Brown, B Co.

MATCH VIII.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Cup, presented by Ahmedbhoy Hubhoy	100	Vol Stacey, E Co
2nd ,,	Lieut English, B Co	50	
3rd ,,	Segt McCloughen, D Co	30	
4th ,,	Sgt Black, D Co	20	
5th ,,	Sgt Boylett, D Co	10	
6th ,,	Corpl Myers, D Co	5	

MATCH IX.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Gold Broach and Eardrops presented by Messrs. Watson and Co-Lt English B Co	100	
2nd ,,	L-C McKinnon, D Co	50	
3rd ,,	Vol Stacey, E Co	30	
4th ,,	Capt Phillips, G Co	20	
5th ,,	Vol Stephens, D Co	10	
6th ,,	Capt Brown, B Co	5	

MATCH X.

		Rs.
1st Prize,	Vol Massey, A Co	50
2nd ,,	Vol Baker, A Co	30
3rd ,,	Vol E R Critchell, A Co	20
4th ,,	Vol E R Critchell, F Co	15
5th ,,	Vol Hurst, D Co	10
6th ,,	Vol Rhenois, M Co	5

MATCH XI.

		Rs.
1st Prize,	Vol Burrett, F Co	60
2nd ,,	Vol Counsell, F Co	30
3rd ,,	Vol Massey, A Co	20
4th ,,	Vol Monk, C Co	15
5th ,,	Vol Armfield, B Co	10
6th ,,	Vol Smith, D Co	5

MATCH XII.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	Sergt InstrBattler	25	
2nd ,,	L-C Hill	15	Watch
3rd ,,	L-C Ball	10	
4th ,,	L-C Carter	5	

MATCH XIII.

		Rs.	
1st Prize,	A Cup presented by Captain Freeborn—Corpl Myer D Co		30
2nd ,,	L-C McKinnon, D Co		25
3rd ,,	Vol Watkins, D Co		20
4th ,,	Hurst, D Co		10

MATCH XV.

		Rs.	
1st Prize—	A Gold Watch presented by Messrs. Favre-Leuba and Co	150	Vol Watkins, D Co
2nd ,,	A Silver Watch presented by L Steffenauer, Esq.	50	L-C McKinnon, D Co
3rd ,,	A Drinking Mug presented by Messrs Thorpe and Co	40	Vol Stephens D Co
4th ,,	A Cup presented by Messrs Hamilton and Co	20	Sgt McDonnell, E Co
5th ,,		20	L-C T Thomas, E Co
6th ,,		10	Capt Brown, B Co
7th ,,		5	Sgt Boylett, D Co

			Rs.
1st Prize,	Vol Vincent M, E Co.		30
2nd ,,	,,	Eliezer, G Co	20
3rd ,,	,,	Gardner, G Co	15
4th ,,	,,	Nicholson, E Co	10
5th ,,	,,	Counsell, C Co	10
6th ,,	,,	Slater, D Co	5
7th ,,	,,	South, G Co	5
8th ,,	,,	Johns, G Co	5

Advice to Mothers.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child, suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to the taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers every where, at 1s. 1½d. per bottle. Wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTIONS IN BOMBAY.

LORD REAY AT THE GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.

Yesterday was prize day at the Grant Medical College. The occasion was distinguished by the presence of His Excellency the Governor (who presided over the meeting) and Lady Reay, the Hon. M. Melvill, C.S.I., Mr. Justice Birdwood, Mr. Justice Jardine, Sir William Wedderburn, Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy, Bart., C.S.I., Sugn-Genl Moore, C.I.E., Dr. Henry Cook, Principal of the College, Lieut-Colonel Portman, Drs. Bainbridge, Ozilvie, J. B. Lyon, G. Yeates, Hunter, Mackonachie, J. Arnot, D. Macdonald, Waters, Hatch, Manser and Baker, Mr. G. K. Kittredge, Dr. Peterson, Ph.D., Mr. Church, House Surgeon, European General Hospital, Captain Walke, Drs. P. C. De Souza, Cowasjee Hormusjee, R. N. Khory, Atmaram Pandurang, Shamrao Vithul, Khan Bahadur Muncherjee C Murzban, Rao Bahadur Gopal Hurri Deshmukh, Messrs. Maneckjee Cursetjee, Sorabjee Framjee Patel, Muljee Bhowanidas Barbhaya, Byramjee N. Serval, Jamsetjee P. Kapadia, V. A. Modak, Dorabjee Nusserwanjee Wadia, K. R. Cama, K. N. Kabrajee, Damodhur Thakersey Muljee, Tribowundas M. Nathoobhoy, Vundravundas Purshotumdas, Jamsetjee D. Tata and Cursondas Vullubdas.

The annual report was read by the Principal (Dr. Cook), and the Governor then handed the prizes and certificates to the successful students, shaking hands with each as the winners came to the table amid the cheers of the crowded assembly in the lecture theatre.

Sir William Wedderburn then rose and addressed the meeting as follows:—May it please your Excellency, Lady Reay, Doctor Cook, ladies and gentlemen,—I am sure I express the feeling of this large and influential meeting when I congratulate the Principal and the Professors of this College on the success of their labours during the past year. (Cheers.) I think also the very hearty and cordial applause that met the successful recipients of the prizes has already marked the favour with which you regard their efforts. (Cheers.) The interesting report which we have just heard read, shows that in many respects is the College to be congratulated for this past year. The difficulty which has been recurring for past years, has been the difficulty of dealing with the large number of pupils who have flocked to this College. It is, in fact, an *embaras de riches*; but, fortunately, Government have been able to meet the increasing demand: and we have heard both an increase in the accommodation and a considerable increase in the teaching staff. (Cheers.) There is also another solid ground for congratulation, and that is the princely donations by which this institution was so largely helped at its original foundation appear to again come forward to its help; and I am very glad to hear that my friends, Mr. Varjeevundas and Mr. Hurkissondas, have given a sum which reminds one of those early princely days. (Cheers.) What also is very interesting in this report is the review of the old history of the College, which though familiar to those who belong to it, is not quite so familiar to all those outside of it. The review is not only interesting, but it is instructive for us to be reminded of the aims and intentions of the founders, in order that in the ordinary routine of work, we may not lose sight of those aims and objects which assimilated labour gave the first successful start to this great institution. (Cheers.) There is a paragraph which gives in brief what those objects were as laid down by Dr. Morehead, whose name is still familiar to us. (Cheers.) I will, with your permission, read once more what the object of the founders was. The object was, "To create a body of native medical practitioners who, selected from the people, and consequently fully aware of their special needs and requirements while thoroughly alive to their peculiar prejudices, and the difficulties appertaining to the practice of exotic medicine amongst them, should carry to the individual homes the inestimable benefits which intelligent medical aid can bestow." This seems to be the text upon which the future life of the College lies, and the accomplished and genial Governor of those days, Sir Robert Grant, emphatically endorsed the same view in a minute recorded written in 1838. One may say it was the charter of this institution; and in that minute Sir Robert said that the object of Government for this college was not to make it a mere training place for hospital servants of the State; but to use his words, the "sole aim was to be the nobler one of bringing into existence a profession of native doctors who would some day rival the professional bodies of Europe." (Cheers). It is quite clear what the meaning of that is. It is just the difference between a mechanic and an artist; a person who does a thing with his hands, and the other who does it with his brains. The object was really to create a national school of scientific men, and the plant was to take firm root, and grow in strength and become an indigenous growth. That having been the original aim and object of this institution, it is very gratifying to hear from the Principal's report what a large number of members of the medical profession have gone out from here. The total number I see of the graduates of the Grant Medical College and of Licentiates of Medicine and Surgery, is 337; so that in these years this College has shown a good outturn of steady and honest labour since its first idea was promulgated as nearly as possible fifty years ago (cheers), and we see that these gentlemen have followed different lines; that 19 have entered the Indian Medical Service; 35 are assistant surgeons; 32 have taken service in the native States; others have joined railway companies, and 7 have joined the College staff. So that they have shown their capability of taking their places on all the different lines, whether under Government or otherwise. (Cheers.) It appears, therefore, that the original object has been in a great and important measure obtained; and it may be asked now if any thing can be done in furtherance of the original intentions of the founders of this institution. Of course, in speaking of these matters an outsider must speak with very great humility and very great diffidence; and in offering these remarks on a direct invitation, I do so as a bystander who sees something of the game. It must have been noticed that the great feature of the present is the difficulty of dealing with the very large number of pupils who now crowd to this establishment. No doubt Government have met the difficulty to a certain extent; but if the same increase goes on, that will only be a temporary mitigation of the difficulty; and the question is, whether in the original scheme some fresh start might not be made. I have, in order slightly to qualify myself to address the present meeting, read most interesting work of Dr. Morehead's; and I see he lays the greatest stress of all on this point, the danger of overcrowding. He says in a report, dated 1832, that "the truest test of the efficiency of a medical school is the just relation being observed between the number of students and the clinical means, and the right use of those means. As soon as this relation is deranged on the side of numbers, the school must necessarily begin to decline. My belief is that the clinical means of this school are sufficient for a roll of 50 students. If these numbers at any time become much increased, and the clinical means remain as at present, I venture with much confidence to express a very firm conviction that from that time the efficiency and usefulness of the school will begin very sensibly so decline, and that the object of its institution, viz., the giving to the people of this Presidency a class of duly, not nominally, qualified medical practitioners will soon cease to be realized." Of course (resumed Sir William) this is a very serious statement and a serious prophecy. At this time it seems to be a very good opportunity of considering whether following the general policy of Government and what the desire to help private effort and encourage all forms of self-help, something may not be done to prevent injury to this institution, while at the same time other directions may be given to this very meritorious activity. (Cheers.) As I have said, the policy of Government of late has been very strongly in the direction of encouraging all private efforts, and only giving the assistance that is necessary that these efforts should be fruitful. With the enormous fresh demands that come almost day by day upon Government for additional expenditure, the only possible way in which these demands can be met is to a certain extent by relieving the existing methods of expenditure. There are, for example, parts of the country which are very much in the same condition that Bombay was fifty years ago, and therefore rather demand the same help that Bombay then received. But it is evident that all these things cannot be done at the same time, and therefore as the more advanced portions relieve Government of the strain, then greater help can be given in those directions where the help is most needed. In this view of the case I think that nothing can be more encouraging than what we have seen in other directions. I had the honour of being chairman of the Deccan Education Society (cheers), and there we see a most flourishing

a Home Rule for Ireland scheme which he was able to assure the late Government would have had the support of Mr. Parnell. But just at that time came the famous Home Rule "adumbration" which is universally attributed to Mr. Gladstone, and the disapproval with which the Hawarden proposals were received by the general public frightened the Conservative Ministers off. Lord Randolph's scheme had led them to think that the feeling of the country was in favour of a coercive policy in Ireland. Hence Lord Randolph's proposal fell through. There was nothing very dreadful in a statement like this, for, at the most, it simply amounted to the pot calling public attention to the charred and sooty aspect presented by the kettle. But Lord Randolph refused to see the matter in this sensible light. He got, or affected to get, very angry, and wrote a letter to the *Daily News* in very much the same strain as Mr. Chamberlain writes to "that good man Stead." He utterly denied ever having datfied on behalf of the Conservative party with the Nationalists, or having wavered in his allegiance to the Union. Lord Ashbourne also denied the story in a short temperate letter to the *Times*, while Lord Salisbury emphatically repudiated it in his Crystal Palace speech.

The *fons et origo mali* appears to have been an article in the current number of one of the magazines from the pen of Mr. Frank Hill, the late editor of the *Daily News*, in which a circumstantial story is given of an agreement last June between the chiefs of the Conservative party and the Parnellites. Lord Randolph's strenuous contradiction of the story put forth by the *Daily News* had the effect of drawing general attention to the matter, with the result that the following detailed and circumstantial query based on high authority has been widely circulated in print:—"Would the public be surprised to hear—Lord Randolph would not—that Mr. Parnell actually saw a member of the late Government, and left perfectly satisfied with the declarations made to him both as to the land and as to Home Rule? Lord Carnarvon certainly expected to bring his party to the Home Rule point. Would the public be surprised to hear—very highly placed members of the Irish party would not—that Lord Carnarvon distinctly said that if he had been allowed two months more he could have brought the squires both in England and Ireland round to his opinions? Would any one be surprised to hear that it is an absolute fact that Lord R. Churchill declared to his Irish friends that he had done his best, and that even Lord Salisbury at one time looked like coming right, but that in the end he had failed, and therefore had to give it up? In reply to this was it not remarked that he might have done as Lord Carnarvon had done, and resigned? And did not Lord Randolph reply: 'Oh, he's Quixotic. That kind of thing may do for Carnarvons and Auberon Herberts, but I am not a man of that sort.'"

Nor is he. It will be interesting to see what reply, if any, Lord Randolph has to make to these statements. The controversy, however, is a futile one, for every one who was about the House towards the close of the session of 1885 knows perfectly well that frequent interviews and discussions took place between the noble member for South Paddington and various representatives of the Parnellite party. The only point upon which there can be any doubt is, whether Lord Randolph was negotiating on behalf of the Conservatives or merely fighting for his own hand.

THE "MANDALAY SCANDALS."

THE Rangoon correspondent of the *Times* wires under date March 2:—Colonel Hooper telegraphs to me to-day from Mandalay, requesting me to place the following version of the facts connected with the case of photographing the prisoners before the public. He declares that they are the real facts. I quote his words:—The camera was placed in position before the prisoners were placed against the wall. The men were blindfolded at the time, and knew nothing of the fact that the camera was there. The words of command were in nowise timed to suit the exposure of the plate, which was instantaneous. The words of command, 'Ready! Present! Fire!' were given by the officer in command of the firing party precisely in accordance with the regulations for volley firing, and no delay of any kind took place between the words 'Present!' and 'Fire!' No previous attempt had ever been made to secure the picture of an execution." In connexion with Colonel Hooper's explanation I may also quote the following description of the case given by Mr. Rose, the Special Correspondent of the *Rangoon Gazette*, in the *Gazette* of the 20th of January:—"I assure you as a positive fact, which I have myself witnessed, that the Provost Marshal, being an enthusiastic amateur in photography, actually has his camera placed behind the firing party, in order that he may obtain negatives of the unfortunate men at the moment at which the words of command 'Ready! Present!' are uttered, when a few seconds' pause is made to allow of the cap of the lens being removed to the minute after the volley is fired, and then the men are a quivering mass of humanity, lying in a heap on the ground. It strikes me as a somewhat ghastly proceeding." In connexion with this case, an inquiry is being held at Mandalay as to the parading of naked bodies through the streets. This incident occurred on the 16th of January. Six bodies were carried through the bazaar, in which at the time there many women and children. These facts were communicated to me by M. Dumont, a French merchant at Mandalay, who also informed M. Bouteiller, the Consul-General. During the Viceroy's recent visit to Mandalay, M. Bouteiller mentioned the case to Mr. Bernard, and, I believe, also to the Viceroy. None of the corpses were entirely naked, and it was unnecessary to carry them through the bazaar to reach the burial ground. I am informed that the Provost Marshal's people declared that the police were responsible for the parade of the corpses.

CURIOUS POSTAL CLEANINGS.

MANY curiously addressed letters in poetry and prose have passed through the post. Several of the rhyming directions are remarkable for the poetical skill displayed by the writers. The best example we have noted is the following, addressed by Bernard Barton, "the Quaker Poet," to Sir Walter Scott during one of his visits to London:—

"Sir Walter Scott, in London or elsewhere;
He needs not ask, whose wide-extended fame
Is spread about our earth, like light and air,
A local habitation for his name."

Charles Dibdin, the popular naval song-writer, in 1802 sent a letter to Mr. Hay, the comedian, bearing an address as follows:—

"Postman, take this sheet away,
And carry it to Mr. Hay;
And whatever you ride mare or colt on,
Stop at the Theatre, Bolton;
If in what county you inquire,
Merely mention Lancashire."

We have seen it stated that, in consequence of a wager, a letter some years since was posted in the provinces, and was duly delivered in London. It bore four lines from Pope:—

"Where London's column pointing to the skies,
Like a tall bully, lifts its head and lies,
There dwells a citizen of sober fame,
A plain, good man, and Balaam is his name."

The letter was delivered without delay to a Mr. Balaam, a fishmonger near the Monument. Our next reaches us from America:—

"When you this letter C
You'd better letter B,
For it is going over
Unto Tom Maddee,
In the town of Dover,
State of Tennessee."

From poetry let us turn to prose. Mr. J. Wilson Hyde, in his entertaining volume, "The Royal Mail," states that an American gentleman having arrived in England, and not knowing where a sister was residing at the time, addressed a letter to her previous residence thus:—

'Mrs. ——
Upper Norwood,
or Elsewhere.'

The letter having been delivered to the lady, the writer intimated to the Post Office that he had received a reply in ordinary course, and explaining that the letter had been delivered to her on the top of a stage-coach in Wales. In admiration of the means taken to follow his sister, the writer ventured to add, "that no other country can show the parallel, or would take the trouble at any cost." Here is a vague direction:—

"Mr. ——, Travelling Band, one of the Four playing in the street, Pershs (Pershore) Worcestershire. Please find him if possible.

Another envelope bore the following:—

"This is for the young girl that wears spectacles, who minds two babies, 30 Sheriff Street, off Prince Edwin Street, Liverpool."

A Derbyshire dressmaker was addressed thus:—

"This is for her that makes dresses for ladies, that lives at tother side of the road to James Brooklip, Edenover, Chesterfield."

Mr. Hyde says two letters, directed as follows, were duly delivered:—

"To my sister Jean,
Up the Canongate,
Down a Close,
Edinburgh,
She has a wooden leg."

The other was addressed:—

"My dear Ant Sue as lives in the Cottage by the Wood near the New Forest."

In the latter case, says Mr. Hyde, the letter had to feel its way about for a day or two, but "Ant Sue" was found living in the cottage near Lyndhurst.—*William Andrews, F.R.H.S., in "Home Chimes."*

DR. DE JONGH'S LIGHT-BROWN COD-LIVER OIL.—In Throat Diseases its efficacy is unequalled. Sir G. Duncan Gibb, Bart., M.D., Physician to the Westminster Hospital, writes:—"The value of Dr. de Jongh's Cod-Liver Oil as a therapeutic agent in a number of diseases, chiefly of an exhaustive character, has been admitted by the world of medicine; but, in addition, I have found it a remedy of great power in the treatment of many Affections of the Throat and Larynx, especially in Consumption of the latter, where it will sustain life when everything else fails." Sold only in capsuled Imperial half-pints, pints, and quarts, by all chemists, druggists, and store-keepers. Sole consignees, Ansar, Harford, and Co., 210, High Holborn, London.

THE GAMBLING HELLS OF PARIS.

To paint the corruption of a Paris club, no terms could be too strong. The very menials at the door—knavish and insolent as only a flunkey can be, and that the flunkey of a hell—lend small sums at monstrous interest to "broken" players, intrust "members" (some few of whom are so degraded) with sums to wager on their behalf, and in every possible way strive to emulate the exploits of the higher domestics up-stairs. In many cases, during the past fifteen years, the career of these club servants has been a striking commentary upon the institution which has given them birth. Boys of a pleasing appearance begin in clubs as pages. From "tip" to "tip," and theft to theft, they become *croupiers*, and finally cashiers or *prêteurs*: handling thousands of pounds a night in counters and in money, and taking good care to abstract as much of the same as they may. Ten years of such promotion render them the possessors of horses and carriages, pictures, luxurious apartments, millions of francs—this is no exaggeration, as Parisians will contest—and property of every possible description. They patronise the races, the theatres, the fashionable restaurants; they drive every afternoon to the Bois; they enjoy all the brilliant and costly pleasures of Paris, and no doubt these former ragamuffins and errand-boys feel aggrieved at not being accepted themselves as "members" of clubs. Not but what, when eighty hells were open in Paris, the *croupiers* and *caissiers* found plenty of houses where they and their five-hundred louis banks were welcome; for the clubs were then of every grade, from the den where people staked half-crowns, and sank into despair when they had lost three louis, to that where a thousand pounds would be exchanged at every *coup*. The great point of similarity between these various clubs was, that they were one and all situated in the heart of the town, and one and all directed and frequented by a majority of rogues. Latin Quarter students, perferring baccarat in a palace to écarté in a café, would be the chief *hôpitaux* of one. Another would be mainly patronised by speculators from the Bourse. A third would call itself an "American" club, on the strength of the one or two questionable Americans on its committee, though for its members it would have none but French gamesters. Then there were clubs for artists, clubs for journalists, clubs for shopkeepers, but all of them clubs for gambling, above aught else. I even recollect that certain financiers, in the hey-day of the *cercles*, did all they could to establish a club for women!

Fostered by the feverish play of such an era as this, cheating at cards, in France, has soared to heights unknown before. At even the most select and aristocratic, the most legitimate clubs much foul play may occur, as was clearly disclosed by the recent *esclandre* in the Cercle de la Rue Royale. Here, in one of the best of French clubs, an habitual system of cheating was shown to prevail among a dozen of the leading members, who used for the purpose cards marked beforehand by a servant. At the clubs whose only reason of being is baccarat, the robberies are of course even worse than this, and I fancy that an affair like the scandal of the "Rue Royale" is caused mainly by the contagion of the heils. Gentlemen, left to themselves, will rarely cheat with anything like method; the evil originates with the villainous menials who spring up in the shade of the baccarat-table like fungi in a fetid marsh, and who live for rapine alone. These, knowing of the straits to which certain men of fashion are reduced, through extravagance and losses at play, approach the latter with proposals to furnish marked cards. "There will be no possible risk," they say; "all you will have to do is to deal, and to take up the money. So, if we guarantee that you shall net large winnings, it is only fair you should give us half." Almost always the tool allows himself to be used, for the *croupiers* are of course sufficiently wary to press their offers on those only whom they think quite certain to succumb; and thus an organised conspiracy is carried on, till one afternoon or evening cards are found marked at the "Rue Royale," or the "Mirlitons," men blow their brains out, disappear from town, or put up with dishonour, and "all Paris" has another great card scandal to talk about for at least a week.

But the great home and fountain-head of cheating is always in the baccarat clubs. The relations between the directors, *croupiers* and *caissiers* of "clubs," and the sharpers or "Grecks," are very friendly and mutually lucrative, being founded in a reciprocal interest and dread. Justice compels one to state that the Greeks are discountenanced and held at bay by certain directors, who may even pride themselves on the honesty thus displayed; but as "Greek" wolves are not kept out of a baccarat fold save when the club *cagnotte* is full every night, rendering the legitimate (!) receipts commensurate to the avidity of even proprietors of "clubs," no high scruples of conscience, perhaps, nor great pecuniary sacrifices, are involved in thus upholding morality. It is quite fair, on the whole, to say that the "Greeks," "philosophers," or "Bedouins," as they are now called in France, have worked (*travaillent*) in all the large gaming clubs of Paris, with, in most cases, the full sanction and complicity of the "people of the house." Extensive and systematic associations have been formed for purposes of cheating in clubs and elsewhere. "Philosophers" (apparently connected with the peripatetic school) will travel all over France in bands, going from one to another of those watering-places where baccarat is rife in the season, with baccarat's inseparable adjuncts—the counterstealing *croupier* and the manager whose pulse only quickens as the louis falls into the slit. Small detached parties of "Bedouins" will scour through Europe—for various reasons preferring Russia and other countries to England—and have even gone so far as the Australian cafés, where they doubtless find plenty of native talent to contend with. Sometimes a "Greek," especially skilful, will go alone upon his "rounds," and do all his "working" by himself. Solitaries of this description, like the rogue-elephant, are a trifle more rare and more dangerous than the rest. In Paris, the "Bedouins" and their friends and allies, the *croupiers*, have a special place of rendezvous at a café in the rue de Richelieu. Here they sit and play at various games, "working" behind cards impracticable under the circumstances, though if they could "work" against each other they certainly would, for no sort of treachery comes amiss to the French sharper, and "honour among thieves" is not an article of his creed. Amid the smoke of pipes, the rattle of backgammon, and the shouts of the ruffians playing poker or "dummy" whist, "combinations"—as schemes for future "working" are called—are elaborated between the club lacqueys on the one hand, and the Bedouins seeking business on the other. Conversation of an interesting professional turn is freely carried on. There are reports concerning the harvest of counters at Luchon, Biarritz, or Trouville. Encomiastic reference is made to the way in which this one "takes the second," or that one "puts up" his three "nine;" while the skill with which a third performs the "mirror trick" is pronounced on all hands to be beyond compare. Sometimes, however, less cordial tones than these are overheard at the boisterous little café in the Rue de Richelieu. The "artists" (so the sharpers name themselves) complain that the *écraseurs*, as they contemptuously style the *croupiers*, whose only mode of stealing is the coarse one of palming or "crushing" the larger counters called *plaques*, will no longer help them to "work," reserving the the whole of the plunder for their own yawning pockets. But divided though they be on many heads, one point at least there is upon which the *croupiers* and the Bedouins always are agreed—their common hatred for their common enemy, the blackmailer or *mouchard*. This rapacious creature, many specimens of which may be seen in brave attire at the theatres or the Bois, is too timorous or too clumsy to "work," and thinks himself too much of a gentleman to wield a lath; so he puts into execution the elegant device of claiming counters from the *croupiers* when "crushing" operations have been fruitful, and money from the "Greek," when a hand at *chemin de fer* has impoverished the table to the Greek's advantage.

Few of the mysteries of society are more singular and so little known as the world of thieves and cheats revolving round the board of baccarat; and to write from personal observation of its curious characteristics would be, I should think, to treat an interesting theme. The Parisians themselves are hardly cognisant of all the gambling scoundrelism existing in their midst. At times, when some fresh scandal at play was being talked about, "smart" journalists have imagined they were unveiling the entire mysteries of the "Greeks" by cribbing passage out of old books by Robert Houdin, giving modes of "working" as far behind the processes of the present school as the table on which Louis XIV. used to play at billiards with his Prime Minister Chamilard, is inferior to the one which Vignaux and Scehefer employed for their latest grand match. The mechanism of cheating at cards, like that of most other arts, has been marvellously developed and perfected in the last quarter of a century. All indeed, that has been written in Paris about baccarat and about the clubs has fallen far short of the mark, with the solitary exception of M. Hector Malot's novel *Baccara*, lately published which, presents a scathing *exposé* of baccarat villainies. The few other books devoted to the subject of baccarat have been vulgar concoctions with no moral bearing, nor even accuracy of detail. As to the newspapers, they have either attacked the *cercles* upon blackmailing principles, or else have said nothing at all about them; while the law has only treated them in that partial and useless manner I have touched upon above. And yet, when one finds persons of high political position at the head of some of the most thoroughly-placed gambling-houses in the town, muchlas though Lord Hartington were to occupy a similar post in England—when one thinks of all the impoverishment on the one hand, and disgraceful opulence on the other, of the dishonour demoralisation, and disaster occasioned in Paris by fifteen years of well-night public baccarat, one can only conclude that the question is not one to be lightly considered, and that, indeed, it assumes an almost national importance.—*Edward Delille in the Fortnightly Review.*

FLORILINE!—FOR THE TEETH AND BREATH.—A few drops of the liquid "Floriline" sprinkled on a wet tooth-brush produces a pleasant lather, which thoroughly cleanses the teeth from all parasites or impurities, hardens the gums, prevents tartar, stops decay, gives to the teeth a peculiar pearly whiteness, and a delightful fragrance to the breath. It removes all unpleasant odour arising from decayed teeth or tobacco smoke. The "Fragrant Floriline," being composed in part of honey and sweet herbs, is delicious to the taste, and the greatest toilet discovery of the age. Price 2s. 6d., of all Chemists and Perfumers throughout the world. Sold wholesale by The Anglo-American Drug Company, Limited, 33, Farringdon-road, London.

A BULGARIAN HEROINE.

A CORRESPONDENT writes from Odessa, Feb. 16:—"The Widin correspondent of the St. Petersburg *Novosti* sends to that newspaper the following account of a young Bulgarian girl who took an active part in the late war against Servia, distinguished herself at Slivnitza and at Pirot, and received two crosses for bravery. Previously to the outbreak of hostilities she joined a company of militia—such companies were then forming in various parts of Bulgaria—and accompanied it to the Southern frontier in the hope of there meeting with the enemy. During some time she managed to conceal her sex, for her comrades took her to be a youth with an effeminate face, of which there were many such to be met with among the militia. Only the commander of her company knew her secret, she was obliged to disclose it to him when the company set out upon its march, and he appears to have loyally kept it to himself. In all exercises, parades and reviews she took part jointly with her male comrades. At last, when Servia declared war against Bulgaria, the heroine took part in the forced march into Servia, fought at the battle of Slivnitza, and joined in the attack upon Pirot. During the fight she did all she could to encourage her comrades, they, in return, unanimously voted to her the company's medal for bravery. When, in consequence of the war coming to an end, the militia was dispersed, she went to Sofia, and was there presented to Prince Alexander, who awarded to her a second decoration for bravery. She then returned to Widin, her place of domicile before the war, where she acts as servant to an old lady. There she relates to all who come into contact with her the exploits she performed during the war; how, she assisted to take such and such a position; how at first, the Bulgarians were repulsed, how they afterwards drove back the Servians at the point of the bayonet, and so forth; and she says that should these latter begin another war she will again fight against them, but in her woman's attire, for it is not worth while to change one's dress for such an enemy."

ABOUT HANDS.

MR. HERON-ALLEN, the author of a Manual on Hands claims for cheirosophy the value almost of prophetic power, since the student may, by its aid, predict a blow by the observation of the tendencies that will bring about a misfortune, and may give the subject timely warning, so that he may take steps to escape it. A thin, skinny, and narrow palm is said to express feebleness of intellect and absence of energy or moral force. A hollow, deep palm indicates misfortune, loss of money, misery, and probable failure in enterprise. The joints of the fingers, too, are full of information. A bulge in the first, joint, i. e., that at the business end of the finger or thumb, is good, indicating intelligence. A bulge in the second joints shows the possession of orderly an symmetrical instincts. Smooth fingers, on the contrary, go with quick inspiration and impulse are dominant over reasoning knowledge, and analysis. If a man's fingers are smooth, and there is no knottiness whatever about his joints, he may always trust his first impressions. The careful proverb about the superiority of second thoughts has nothing to do with him. He need have no trouble in making up his mind. His intuitions are as wings that carry him lightly and swiftly over roads that bear the laboured impress of the plodding footprints of the knotty fingered. That there are such men, and such women, we all know; but till now the world could not precisely recognise them by the joints of their fingers. Ours, however, is a progressive age.

Much, too, depends on the length or shortness of the fingers. Cheirosophy teaches us that people with short fingers are quicker, more impulsive, and act more by intuition and on the spur of the moment than people with long ones. If the fingers are thick as well as long, it is a sign of cruelty. Long fingers betray a worrying disposition and an exaggerated love of detail that is occasionally maddening to those who do not share it. Mrs. Nickleby's fingers must have been long. But if conjoined with the instinct of symmetry shown in a bulging second joint, the results may be happy. Metissonier must surely possess this delicious combination. A stiff, hard hand, which opens with difficulty to its full extent, betrays stubbornness of character. Supple, elastic fingers, on the other hand, show a tendency to extravagance, but also indicate sagacity and talent. If any man desire to know the character of his chosen future wife, let him take her hand and hold it up between him and the light. If considerable interstices and chinks show themselves between the fingers it is a sign of desperate inquisitiveness. Mrs. Bluebeard doubtless possessed such ill-fitting fingers. If, on the contrary, the fingers fit closely together, they denote avarice. Secret hoards, cheeseparing tendencies, and a candle-end style of house-keeping may be prophesied by the light of cheirosophy in such cases. This may be one of the instances in which the study is to be found practically useful. In the same way young women may be advised to choose a husband whose fingers are naturally red. His disposition will be cheerful, sanguine, hopeful. The man with dark-coloured hands will prove but an indifferent companion. He inclines to biliousness and melancholy. If the hands are white, they denote a phlegmatic disposition, one scarcely more agreeable to live with than the bilious and melancholy variety.

The thumb, it appears, is by far the most important part of the hand, cheirosophically speaking. "The hand denotes the superior "animal," said "Arpe ntigny;" "the thumb individualizes the man." Here the cheirosophist looks for the great controlling powers, will and logic. A small-ill-formed, feeble, badly-balanced thumb betrays a vacillating disposition. Small-thumbed persons are governed by the heart, while the large thumbed are swayed by the head. Independent, self-reliant people have large thumbs, or ought to have them, from the point of view of the cheirosophist, while pliant, dependent, and easily-governed natures may be known by the smallness of that digit. The texture of the hand, too, has its significance. A very hard hand, we are taught, always denotes a want of intelligence; but it accompanies the redeeming quality of liking a life of constant energy and struggle, so distasteful to the owner of a soft hand. The latter indicates a capability rather of tenderness than of true love; but hard hands are the adjunct of true and faithful hearts, though their emotions are seldom demonstrative.

Among the various classifications of hands, is the elementary, or necessary, variety, which belongs to the lowest grade of human intelligence. The fingers are short, thick, unpliable. The thumb is short and the palm very large, thick, and hard. The spatulate or active hand denotes action, movement, energy, and offers a striking contrast in its formation to the conical or artistic hand, with its tapering fingers, small thumb, and fairly developed palm. Such hands are not intended by nature for the hard work of the world, though they occasionally are set to do it. Accompanied by the mercurial temperament, these hands are as often wrung in causeless sorrow as they are raised in the excitement of intangible delight. It is not the happiest people who own such hands. They are forbidden the happy gift of dulness which, Thackeray says, is as a suit of armour against the troubles of life. Much more comfortable is the existence of the owner of the square or useful hand, the fingers of which have four distinct sides, while the thumb is large and the joints are well developed. Perseverance, foresight, order, regularity are the characteristics accompanying the square hand—in themselves almost a sufficient equipment for the battle of life. The knotty of philosophic hand is not, superficially considered, an attractive one. The spur of the moment than people with long ones. If the fingers are thick as well as long, it is a sign of cruelty. Long fingers betray a worrying disposition and an exaggerated love of detail that is occasionally maddening to those who do not share it. Mrs. Nickleby's fingers must have been long. But if conjoined with the instinct of symmetry shown in a bulging second joint, the results may be happy. Meissonier must surely possess this delicious combination. A stiff, hard hand, which opens with difficulty to its full extent, betrays stubbornness of character. Supple, elastic fingers, on the other hand, show a tendency to extravagance, but also indicate sagacity and talent. If any man desire to know the character of his chosen future wife, let him take her hand and hold it up between him and the light. If considerable interstices and chinks show themselves between the fingers it is a sign of desperate inquisitiveness. Mrs. Bluebeard doubtless possessed such ill-fitting fingers. If, on the contrary, the fingers fit closely together, they denote avarice. Secret hoards, cheeseparing tendencies, and a candle-end style of house-keeping may be prophesied by the light of cheirosophy in such cases. This may be one of the instances in which the study is to be found practically useful. In the same way young women may be advised to choose a husband whose fingers are naturally red. His disposition will be cheerful, sanguine, hopeful. The man with dark-coloured hands will prove but an indifferent companion. He inclines to biliousness and melancholy. If the hands are white, they denote a phlegmatic disposition, one scarcely more agreeable to live with than the bilious and melancholy variety.

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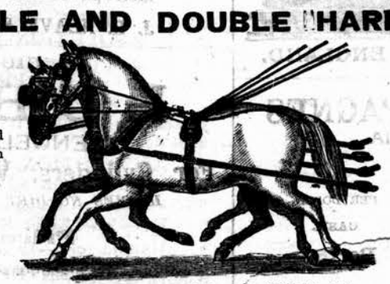

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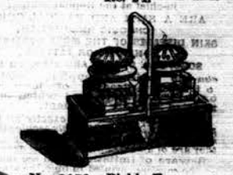

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